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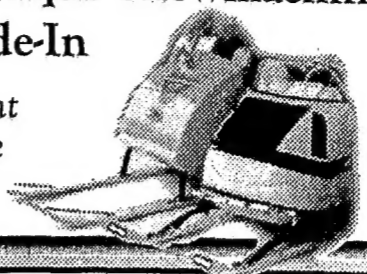


Car lands  
in stream  
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'We are all  
worms, but  
I do believe  
I am a glow  
worm.'  
SIR WINSTON  
CHURCHILL

Antique Snowmachine  
Ride-In  
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New  
Year's  
Greetings

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The year 2000

## Stories, voices, images

A look back at  
what happened  
in our local  
communities  
during Y2K

### Change at the top for local businesses

The past year was marked by  
changes in ownership, or owner-  
ship structure, at major local busi-  
nesses.

In December the largest, the  
American Skiing Company, an-  
nounced that it planned to merge  
with a national hotel-and-resort  
management company, MeriStar.

The merger, said company offi-  
cials, would provide ASC with a  
year-round income stream that is  
not dependent on the weather. And  
MeriStar would be in a position to  
capitalize on development opportu-  
nities at the nine ski resorts ASC  
owns across the country.

The new company formed by the  
merger would be known as Doral  
International. ASC founder Les  
Otten, who will serve as Doral's  
chairman, described it as "a new  
leader in the year-round leisure  
business."

The merger, however, will reduce  
still further Otten's control of the  
company which manages Sunday  
River Ski Resort in Newry.

In return for an earlier, badly  
needed capital infusion, Otten had  
already ceded majority ownership  
in ASC. The merger with MeriStar  
will reduce his ownership stake to  
approximately 10 percent.

While company officials lauded  
the proposed merger (which is to  
take place in early 2001), the stock  
market responded coolly. Follow-  
ing the announcement, ASC stock  
dropped by a point. By early this  
week it was trading under \$1.50.

The area's smaller ski area, Mt.  
Abram got a new owner in 2000 —  
a development which came as a  
surprise to both the old owners and  
the new.

In October, the then owners,  
Randy and Kathy Dunican, were  
preparing the mountain to open for  
the coming season, despite delays  
caused in large part by Randy  
Dunican's health problems.

But early that month their bank  
announced it was foreclosing on  
the couple. The Dunicans blamed  
the bank, Camden National, for

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## Resolution for 2001: Get outdoors



Mother Nature  
slapped a wind-  
chill on outdoor  
activities during  
the first days of  
vacation week,  
but with the  
winds dropping  
and  
temperatures  
rising, the next  
few days should  
be a great time  
to enjoy Maine  
in winter —  
whether your  
preferred way of  
getting around  
is alpine or  
Nordic skis,  
snowboards,  
snowshoes,  
snowmobiles,  
creepers or  
(shown here)  
the snow coach  
up nearby Mt.  
Washington.  
(Photo: Bob Grant,  
courtesy of Great  
Glen Trails)

## New snowmobile events planned

By EMILY BEERS

Special to The Bethel Citizen

When the snow starts flying in  
the western mountains of Maine,  
you can bet that Frank Lowell and  
Rocky Freda are sporting ear-to-ear  
grins for the same reason — it's  
time to pull the sleds out. This sea-  
son they have something even more  
exciting to look forward to, as Be-  
thel hosts a Grooming Rodeo and

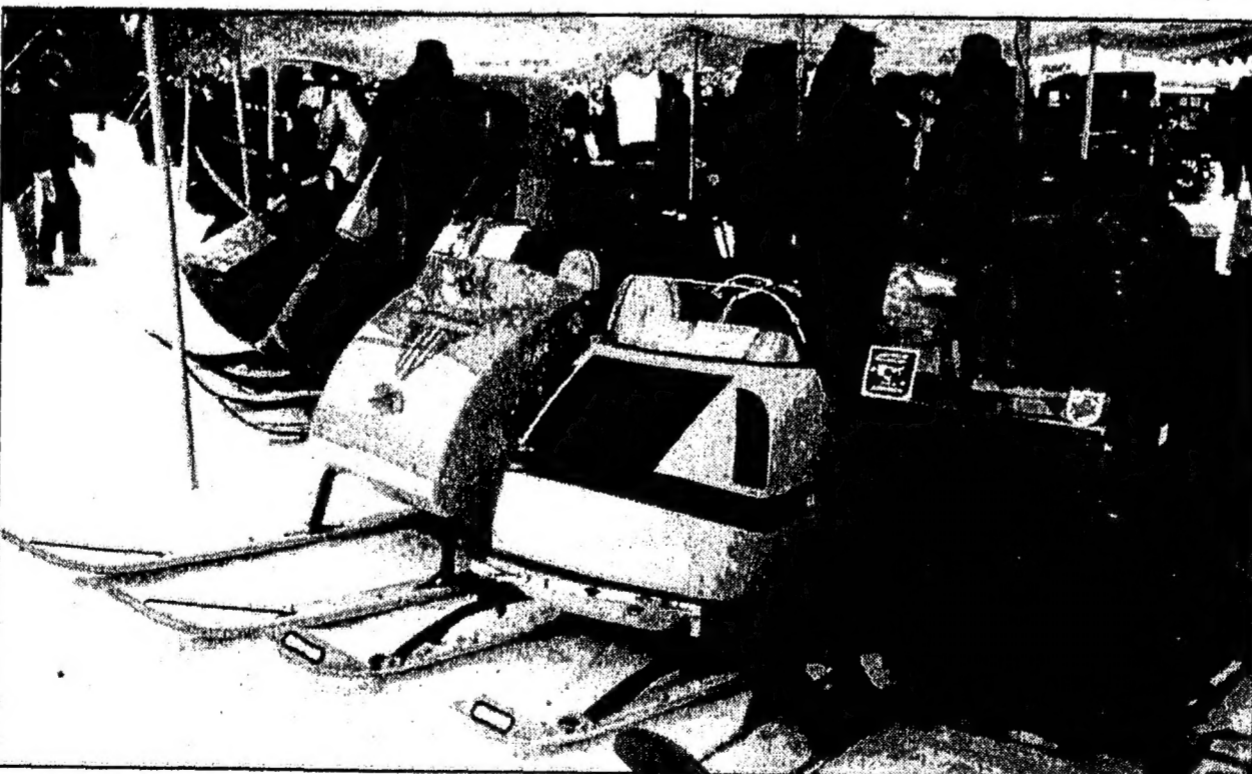
Antique Snowmachine Ride-In  
Saturday, Jan. 27.

Lowell, co-owner of Western  
Maine Supply in Bethel, developed  
his passion for antique sleds 10  
years ago when a friend mentioned  
having seen one that resembled his  
father's sled. Determined to find it,  
he searched until he found what he  
was looking for. Ironically, he lo-  
cated it in Bryant Pond not 30

miles from his home in Newry.  
Today, he owns 46 antique snow-  
mobiles and the number just keeps  
growing.

Lowell defines "antique" sleds as  
those built up to 1967 and "vin-  
tage" sleds as those built between  
1968 and 1975. According to  
Lowell, most owners of antique

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A CHANCE TO CHECK OUT VINTAGE SNOWMOBILES SUCH AS THESE will be one of the attractions of  
Bethel's first annual Grooming Rodeo and Antique Snowmachine Ride-In, set for Saturday, Jan. 27.  
(Photo by Frank Lowell, Jr.)

## New Year's Bethel III

- MAIN STREET**  
4:00 Watch Night services at area churches  
6:00 Lighted Vehicle Parade  
7:30-10:30 Horse drawn wagon rides between venues
- ON THE COMMON (Broad Street)**  
7-12 Fire for roasting marshmallows  
Hot chocolate  
12:00 Fireworks presented by the Bethel Inn  
Church Bells ring
- BINGHAM GYM (Church Street)**  
7-11 Food Court- non profit organizations  
offer you a variety of fare like popcorn,  
chili, hot dogs, coffee, etc.  
11:30-12:15 Food court moves to the Moses Mason House
- \*MOSES MASON HOUSE (Corner of Broad & Mason St.)**  
7:00 Henry Bascomb  
8:15 Jewel Clark & Donnie Katlin  
9:30 Henry Bascomb  
10:45 Jewel Clark & Donnie Katlin
- \*BINGHAM AUDITORIUM (Church Street)**  
7:00 Leland Faulkner  
8:15 Silent Movies with Pianist  
9:30 Leland Faulkner  
10:45 Silent Movies with Pianist
- \*WEST PARISH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (Church St.)**  
7:00 Gray-Caybe Family  
8:15 Gray-Caybe Family  
9:30 State Street Traditional Jazz Band  
10:45 State Street Traditional Jazz Band

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## Letters

### MORE ON FAMILY FOCUS GROUP

#### To the Editor:

What a thoughtful letter from Tricia Chappie on Dec. 14 concerning the Family Focus Group. I'd like to add a bit more information about this wonderful effort directed by Kathy Goldberg with the collaboration of Cyndi Mills and Community Concepts.

This group grew out of the grant from the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy in 1999-2000, which Kathy coordinated. When the grant ended in August, SAD44 Adult Education and Community Concepts partnered to extend the parent group component.

The group meets on Tuesday mornings at the Adult Learning Center at Eihel Bisbee School. Anyone interested in more information may contact Kathy at 824-3459 or Cyndi at 836-3700.

Another exciting development this year relating to family literacy is the Book Buddies program, which involves SAD44 Adult Education, West Bethel Children's Center and the Bethel Rotary Club.

The program involves a loan program of books and directions and supplies for related family activities packaged in distinctive canvas bags. The bags will be circulated amongst the 20 participating families affiliated with the Children's Center, with the first book to be distributed in time for Christmas.

Kathy Goldberg is coordinating the project, assisted by Bertha Grover. A secondary component of this will be an adult book reading group involving Jeanette Baldrige of the Learning Center staff.

Former First Lady Barbara Bush has always wanted to see ongoing results from her Family Literacy grants, and I know she will be very pleased with our continuation efforts and the community partnerships with other organizations that are making them possible. This should put SAD44 in a very strong position for future funding in the family literacy area.

This has been a wonderful first semester in Adult Education, filled with accomplishments by many adult learners. Such success is made possible by our great staff: Jeanette Baldrige, Merrill Bittner, Lee Dolleman, Kathy Goldberg, Bertha Grover, Frank Gibson, volunteer Alison Rosenblatt and our Community Concepts representative Maryvonne Wheeler at the Learning Center, Carol Emery in Andover, Lin Chapman, Merrilee Ojeda, Bekah Howe and Sally Westleigh at the Telstar office, plus all the talented folks who have taught classes and workshops this fall.

I am very grateful to them and they join me in extending the very best holiday wishes to the SAD44 community.

Cathy Newell  
Director, SAD44 Adult Education

#### Ask a Lawyer:

**Question:** Does one joint custody parent lose child support payments (payments ordered by the court) if the child decides to live with the other parent temporarily?

Generally, under Maine law, the custodial parent (the parent with whom the child resides) does not lose court ordered child support payments if the child decides to live with the other parent (the non-custodial parent), unless the court order says otherwise. The non-custodial parent remains obligated to pay support, even if the child goes to live with that parent, until the court modifies the order. The obligation to pay support remains until changed by the court or until the child turns 18, gets married or joins the military. If the child turns 18 while attending high school, the order remains in force until the child graduates, withdraws or is expelled from school or turns 19, whichever occurs first.

In order to change the court order, one parent must file a motion to amend with the court. The support order can be amended only from the date the motion to amend has been served on the other parent. The parents cannot rely on a private agreement to ignore the court order to pay support.

The Maine Supreme Judicial Court has said that the Legislature has set forth a specific procedure to follow to modify child support obligations when circumstances change, such as the child going to live with the non-custodial parent. The parents cannot resort to self-help and make an agreement to change the court order. The order remains valid and enforceable until changed by the court. The non-custodial parent must pay the child support even if the custodial parent says that non-custodial parent does not have to pay or remains silent if the non-custodial parent does not pay.

The Maine Supreme Judicial Court has made clear that when circumstances change, parties must return to court to modify their order. Anyone who resorts to self-help and stops paying support, or pays less than the amount ordered by the court, will be required to pay the court ordered amount. The Court has held that the court's authority over custody and support of minor children must be found in the statutes. The court's power is the statute governing modification of support and not the general grant of equitable jurisdiction. Some non-custodial parents believe that having to continue to pay support after the child has come to live with the non-custodial parent is not fair. An argument that something is not fair would be an equitable argument. The Court would look to its power of equitable jurisdiction to answer such an argument, and the Court has said that the Court must look to the statute to answer the argument. The statute states that a support order may be modified only from the date the motion for modification is served upon the other party.

The statute of limitations, the time during which the non-custodial parent must prove that child support payments have been made, is 20 years from the date the last child support payment is due. In other words, the custodial parent has 20 years from the date the support payment is due, to enforce the payment. The non-custodial parent should keep excellent records of all payments. The payment records should be kept for 20 years after the child support obligation ends.

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**A LUCKY ROLL**—A Weld teenager escaped without injury Thursday when his 1992 Mercedes station wagon landed in the Sunday River. Barrett Stowell, 17, was driving west on Martin's Lane in Bethel when the car began to slide, according to Darren Tripp, Bethel police chief. Stowell managed to stop the car, right on the edge of the riverbank. As he opened the door to get out, he was caught and thrown back by his seat belt, which he had forgotten to unbuckle. The force of his effort was just enough to shift the car toward the river, and it rolled one complete revolution before coming to rest in three feet of water. The ending might not have been nearly as happy, said Tripp, had the car landed upside down. (Visible in the foreground of the photo are tracks where the car's rear tires slid sideways toward the river.) (Photo by Alison Aloisio)

### Snowmobiles

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sleds will drive them and are willing to give rides to the curious. The drivers always err on the side of caution, however. Taking an older sled out requires bringing every tool that you own just as a safety net. "If something breaks on one of these sleds," he cautions. "You need to be prepared to fix it."

One of his favorites is a four-stroke, rear-engine machine made by both Polaris and Arctic Cat in the early 1960s. He has been fortunate enough to find these treasures in some unlikely places. Years ago he tracked one down in an old potato barn in Presque Isle. "The barn had settled so much, that we had one heck of a time getting it out." His efforts paid off, and his prize was a 1961 Polaris. "These machines are the model T's of the snowmobile era," says Lowell. "They are hand-built, one of a kind. There was no streamline production with these." Lowell says that he has also been successful finding sleds in New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Quebec.

Rocky Freda also has a long involvement with snowmobiling. Along with being an active member of four snowmobile clubs in Maine, he is the project coordinator for 60 miles of municipal trails in the Bethel area. His primary responsibilities include contracting groomers to maintain this section of trail as well as any bridges.

A registered Maine guide for over 30 years, Freda is convinced that the trail system in the western mountains is second to none in scenery and beautiful vistas. He and his wife, Lisa, operate Sun Valley Sports, a four-season guide service, along with a rental and retail outlet. The trails that we enjoy in this part of Maine," says

Freda, "are not conducive to high speed. The infrastructure of the trails is such that there is a great amount of winding through the White and Mahoosuc mountains."

The combined knowledge and experience of both Frank Lowell and Rocky Freda will come in handy as Bethel gears up for the Jan. 27 event. "This is going to be an awesome day," says Freda, describing the events taking place. "There will be everything from antique sleds to the latest in grooming technology." Along with the antique sleds, the day will include a grooming rodeo, "the only one that we know of in this part of the state that will be offering the latest in grooming equipment," said Freda.

Spectators can expect to see a wide variety of grooming machines currently being used in Bethel and the surrounding area by many of the local clubs. The day will feature a variety of activities for everyone, including exhibits and demonstrations of grooming equipment by distributors from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. Cook's, Inc., distributors of Tucker snow grooming equipment (Newport, Vt.), will be bringing their Terra Tucker 1000 snow groomer.

George Hayes, of G.O. Hayes & Sons Equipment (Bryant Pond) will be showing their Track Trucks and Arrowhead groomers and Mogul Master drags. Owen's Marine (Manchester, NH), distributors of Bombardier snow grooming equipment will also be present, bringing three new models including the new BR250, and Tracker Snow Groomers (Lewiston) will be exhibiting trackers, a new and alternative grooming machine. "Both individuals and clubs alike have an incredible opportunity to drive and

operate over a million dollars worth of equipment here," says Freda.

Indeed, trail maintenance is an ongoing task taken seriously by those who use the trails. Windy Valley, Bethel Snow Twisters, Wild River Riders, and Greenstock Snow Sports are the local snowmobile clubs that have put in a huge amount of work trail brushing and upgrading bridges. The efforts of the Wild River Riders paid off last year as they received a \$25,000 grant used to upgrade the trail system in Gilead and over into Evans Notch in the White Mountain National Forest.

In addition to the grooming machine distributors, all four major snowmobile manufacturers will be in attendance: Ken's Yamaha in Norway, Currier RV in Gorham, N.H. (Polaris), Mountain Valley in Peru (Arctic Cat) and a Ski Doo dealer. The grills will be going for a barbecue, and there will be free organized rides to the mica mines and to view evening fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort (pre-registration is required).

It is not only the sleds and machinery that attract people to these events. Hats, helmets, flyers and brochures from old shows draw the curious as well. People find a fascination with items that take them back in time. Owner manuals from days and years gone by allow for many to reminisce about what used to be. "Being around these old sleds," mused Lowell, "is like returning to your youth. If these sleds from the '60s, '70s and '80s could talk, the stories they could tell!" For local trail maps and more information on the event, or to pre-register for the trail rides, please call Freda at Sun Valley Sports at 824-7533 (SLED).



**OLD TIMERS**—Frank Lowell Sr. (left) and Avery Angevine enjoy a 1963 getaway at their camp near Upton. Their sleds are Polaris Sno-Travelers. Years later, it was the search to find one of these machines that kindled Frank Lowell Jr.'s interest in collecting vintage specimens. (Photo by James Knight)

## Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

**10 years ago:** Bethel Police Chief Brian Stowell submitted his resignation effective March 2, 1991. He had held the position since August of 1989.

The Rev. Gwyneth Bohr was presented with a three-year certificate in recognition of her work with the Androscoggin Home Health Service.

Buzz and Linda Gamble and daughter Kelsey portrayed the Holy Family at the annual "Living Nativity" on the Bethel Common.

Births: Raymond William Reed, Rachel Linn Grover.

Deaths: Thomas B. McDermott, Marion Silver Coolidge.

**20 years ago:** Newry and Greenwood municipal officers and school directors were planning to petition the SAD44 board of directors in early January requesting that they call a meeting to discuss changing the method of sharing school district expense.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Durgin and Alicia played the leading roles in the annual presentation of the "Living Nativity" on Bethel Common.

Michele Alice Lyn Cox was Telstar's candidate for the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Bancroft of Albany were honored on their 25th wedding anniversary by a reception hosted by their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Halle of Lisbon Falls.

Deaths: Mrs. Merle Warner Spaulding, Roderick E. Harthorne.

**30 years ago:** A storm bringing 20 inches of snow arrived in the area the day before Christmas.

James Fiske, Maine Teacher of the Year, a physics teacher at Telstar Regional High School, was honored at a surprise party held at Mt. Abram Ski Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hastings and Ellen played the leading roles in the seventh annual "Living Nativity" pageant.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gilbert were honored by family and friends by a surprise party on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Telstar principal, Keith Cunningham, was named Teacher Education Coordinator with the Maine State Department of Education.

Deaths: Mrs. Robert S. Haldane Sr., John Akers, Ira M. Bodwell, Albert I. Bennett, Ralph L. Dean, John Matheson, Larry Chenier.

**40 years ago:** Charles E. Merrill announced that he was selling his retail building materials business to Stanley Davis effective Jan. 1, 1961. (The business was located in a building destroyed by fire in February of 1972 on the site currently the headquarters of the Bethel Ambulance Service.)

About 250 attended the opening ceremonies at the Mount Abram Ski Slopes, Locke Mills.

Thomas Carter was employed as a mechanic with the Bethel Highway Department. He replaced Gayland Dooen who had left several months earlier to take another position.

Births: Steven Charles Abbott, George Chester Abbott.

Deaths: Dana C. Douglass Sr., Mrs. Robert M. Bean, Joan Hopkins, Arthur E. Verrill, Mrs. Alfred Curtis, Alice Herrick.

**50 years ago:** Following a fall and early winter of weather generally pleasing the "most fastidious critics," morning temperatures hovered at five degrees below zero or lower bringing the usual quota of frozen pipes and motor vehicles.

Norvin Humphrey was in charge of the ski tow on Vernon Street.

Robert D. Hastings, East Bethel, was chairman of the County Committee of the County Production and Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Births: Randy Lee Swan, Orlan Velmore York, Christopher Wayne Bailey, Kerry Alan Smith.

Deaths: Osmond B. Palmer, Mrs. Zeb C. Merchant.

**60 years ago:** Bethel Theatre opened with Fred Grover as manager. The first picture shown was "South of Suez." (Following the advent of television the theatre was converted into a motel in the late 1950s. It also served for a time as a dormitory for Gould Academy students. In the early to mid-80s with further remodeling and additions it became the Bethel House.)

Harvey N. Bragdon, who showed motion pictures many years, sold his business to Score and Emery of Mechanic Falls.

**100 years ago:** The power plant was operating on Main Street. Several stores had electric lights.

The Bethel WCTU met to discuss Frobet and Kindergarten teaching methods.

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## Briefly

### High-tech orienteering on skis

**NEWRY**—Sunday River Cross-Country Ski Center will host its first GPS Scramble Jan. 1. Using Global Positioning System units, teams of one to 10 people ski to designated coordinates and collect evidence they reached the locations. All teams returning with evidence will be entered into a drawing for a grand prize. The contest is open to skiers of all ages, and each team must bring its own GPS. Contest hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For information call 824-2410 or e-mail info@sundayriverinn.com.

### Sander approved

**WOODSTOCK**—At a Dec. 14 special Town Meeting voters approved appropriating \$6,300 to purchase a new sander for the town's 1994 plow truck. The money was taken from the Major Highway Equipment Reserve Account. Also approved was the use of \$2,000 in interest from a Whitman Memorial Library trust fund to make funds available for maintenance costs at the library for the rest of the year, and to cover a \$35 overdraft. Voters also voted unanimously to authorize the town to remove a building from an undersized lot on Church Street and sell the property to the abutter.

### Former clerk charged in theft

**PARIS**—A former clerk at the Oxford County Superior Court office was indicted last week by the Oxford County grand jury for allegedly stealing \$12,000 from Stoneham Rescue while serving on its Board of Directors. Barbara Brown, 43, of Waterford was charged with theft by unauthorized taking and misuse of entrusted property. An auditor doing a yearly audit for the rescue service in May 1999 found approximately \$12,000 missing, according to Alan Carr, another board member. More than half the money has been paid back, according to Carr.

### Take trash, recyclables to Bethel

**NEWRY**—Beginning Jan. 1, Newry residents should take their trash and recyclables to the Bethel transfer station, selectmen said Tuesday. The two Newry transfer sites will close down, following the recent approval of an interlocal agreement among Bethel, Newry and Hanover to share Bethel's transfer site. Officials from the towns last week signed a two-year contract for trash hauling from the station with D&E Sanitation.

### Greatest ski town in the universe?

**NEWRY**—A writer for SKI magazine has proclaimed Bethel as "the greatest ski town in the Universe." Freelance writer Nathaniel Reade, writing in the January 2001 issue, described Bethel as comparable to the "set of a Victorian-period movie: no flashy ski chalets, just well-preserved white clapboard churches and Colonial, Carpenter Gothic and Classic Revival homes." The town is "just seconds from the world's finest combination of skiing, biking, canoeing, hiking, swimming and humanity." He admits bias, he said, because he recently moved to the area. Reade writes for several skiing and travel magazines.

### Blood drive at Sunday River

**NEWRY**—An American Red Cross Blood Drive will take place Friday, Jan. 12 from 1 to 6 p.m. at Sunday River Ski Resort. The location is the Mahoosuc Room at the Southridge Lodge. For more information contact Callie Phillips at 824-5381.

### Second fire victim dies

**RUMFORD**—A fire that killed a 2-year-old boy last month has now claimed the life of his father. Adam Richard, 25, died Christmas Day at a Boston hospital. He was badly burned in a Nov. 18 fire at an apartment house, and was also injured when he fell or jumped from the third floor. His son, Nathaniel, died in the blaze, which was believed to have been caused by a candle left burning on the second floor. The boy died from smoke inhalation. A woman trapped in a third-floor apartment during the fire is still in the Boston hospital. Sarah Mori, 18, was burned over 80 percent of her body. Nearly a dozen other people were injured in the fire, which remains under investigation.

### Divers find body of snowmobiler

**SURRY**—Divers from the Maine Warden Service Tuesday recovered the body of a snowmobiler who crashed through the ice on a pond near his home while on a Christmas morning ride. The body of Vernard C. Crockett III, 60, was recovered at about 10 a.m. in six feet of water in Lower Patten Pond, about 70 yards from shore, said Lt. Pat Dorian of the warden service. When Crockett failed to return from his ride, his wife sought help from a neighbor, Jerry Richardson. Richardson boarded his own snowmobile and followed Crockett's track onto the pond. Richardson also broke through the ice, but managed to scramble to safety and called authorities. Officials were unable to get an airboat and a hovercraft to the scene until late in the day Monday, prompting a decision to delay diving operations until shortly after dawn on Tuesday. Dorian warned that ice conditions remain poor and that anyone venturing onto lakes and ponds should be sure to test the ice beforehand.

### More heating assistance OK'd

**AUGUSTA**—Approval of \$2 million in emergency heating funds and \$4 million in the heating assistance budget for Maine will provide help for up to 10,000 more low income families who are now expected to apply for heating aid this winter, according to the director of the Maine State Housing Authority. "The extraordinarily high heating fuel costs, which have existed since the beginning of the heating season, are driving more and more people to apply for benefits through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program," said Michael Finnegan.

### Parents as Teachers program

**PARIS**—First-time parents and their infants and toddlers in Oxford County now have the opportunity to participate in the Parents as Teachers program. The program includes personal visits by a professionally trained child development specialist, free developmental screenings, group meetings on a variety of child-rearing topics and help finding any other resources beyond the scope of the program. The program, which started in Missouri in 1981, has expanded to more than 2,200 programs in 49 states and several foreign countries. The Oxford County program is funded by the state Department of Human Services, through recently-enacted "Start ME Right" legislation. All PAT activities are free to families wanting to participate. For more information call Community Concepts at 743-7716 or 364-3721.

### Unemployment down

**PARIS/RUMFORD**—Unemployment rates fell in both the Norway-Parris and Rumford areas in November. The 3.7 percent rate in Norway-Parris was the lowest for November since 1987. Rumford's 5.5 percent was the lowest all year. The N-P rate was the lowest since August, when it was 3.4 percent at the height of the tourism season. A year ago the rate was 5.3 percent. Rumford's figure compares with the 7.3 percent posted in November 1999. The Oxford County figures also show a drop in resident employment, however. Those numbers reflect people living in a region but working anywhere in Maine. The declines, 30 in Rumford and 10 in Norway-Parris, suggest some relocation or re-employment took place outside the areas.

### From the Bethel Police Log:

#### Destination mistaken

At 7 p.m. on Dec. 22 police were advised that the Federal Aviation Administration in Portland was reporting a missing plane. It was reportedly due to land in Bethel but had not been heard from. The officer checked the airport but did not locate the plane. (According to subsequent news accounts, the plane had in fact been headed for Rangeley, and crashed there.)

Friday, Dec. 22

At 8:25 p.m. police received a report of a subject driving to endanger on Route 26, headed north. The officer located the vehicle passing two vehicles. It was exceeding the speed limit, and was eventually stopped in front of Telstar. The driver, Jeffrey Thompson, 29, of Old Orchard Beach, was summonsed for imprudent speed.

Saturday, Dec. 23

At 1:25 a.m. police contacted a complainant regarding an assault that had taken place on Main Street. The complainant claimed he and his brother were traveling south and a vehicle came up behind them and flashed headlights at them. The complainant then pulled over and got into an argument with the two men in the other vehicle. The two men then reportedly left and came back with two other men. The complainant claimed they got out with pipes and assaulted him and his brother, breaking the windshield and mirror on his vehicle. The officer drove by the scene and saw some people standing on the side of the road. When he turned around and came back, they were all gone. The officer asked the complainant if he had seen him go by, and he said yes. The officer then asked why he did not wave him over to help. The complainant said he didn't think he needed it. The complainant sounded intoxicated and could not give him a good description. The officer told him to make out a statement. The complainant said he hurt his hand and his brother had a black eye. He refused rescue help.

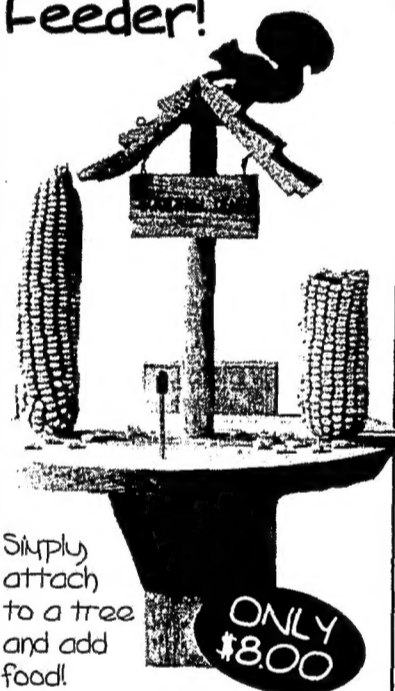
Monday, Dec. 25

At 1:45 a.m. police were called to Church Street by Gould security. When the officer arrived, a male juvenile dumped out the rest of a can of beer. He said he was sledding. When asked his name, the juvenile gave a name, but it came back negative through dispatch. The officer asked for his home phone number, but he said he didn't know. When the officer started to dial dispatch again, the juvenile gave him his real name, then gave his home phone. The officer called and spoke with the mother, who picked up the boy. He was reportedly very intoxicated. He was summonsed for possession of liquor by a juvenile and released to his mother.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summons, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

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#### CORRECTION

Walker was director: An article on the Seniors Plus meal program in the Dec. 14 Citizen should have said Ginny Walker was the first program director, for four years in the mid-1970s.

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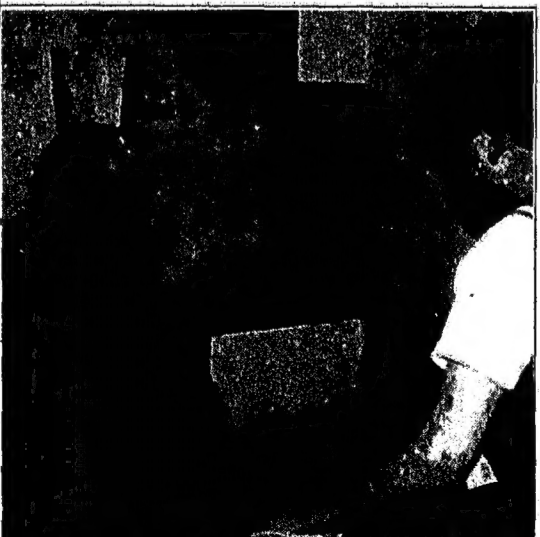
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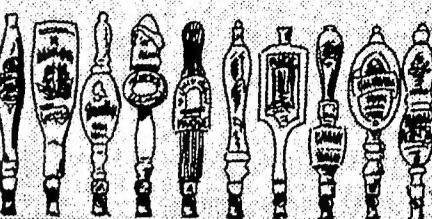
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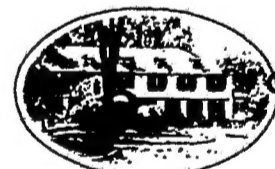


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THE P.H. CHADBOURNE CO. MILL in Bethel was purchased by Hancock Lumber.

their plight, and they threatened a lawsuit. "They ran us out of dough," said Randy Dunican, "and then they foreclosed."

Mount Abram went off the auction block in November and was purchased by Josh Burns, a longtime Mount Abram skier.

Burns bid \$325,000 for the Locke Mills area, and initially seemed surprised the bid was enough to purchase the ski area.

But despite his surprise, and the short time available to him, Burns was able to staff the mountain and have it operating by this past Saturday.

He said he plans to emphasize the

relaxed and affordable quality of the Mount Abram ski experience. "People show up here for a traditional, affordable skiing experience, not glitz," he said.

Burns is Mount Abram's fourth owner since 1993, when the Cross family, which had owned the area for 33 years, lost it — also to a foreclosure.

Another longtime family-owned business also got a new owner in 2000. In May the P.H. Chadbourne Company mill was sold to Hancock Lumber Company.

Hancock is an integrated manufacturer, wholesaler and retailer of white pine lumber and other prod-

ucts. The company operated two other sawmills at the time it purchased the Chadbourne mill.

Hancock President Kevin Hancock said it was his company's intent "to bring stability to the facility."

"We plan to increase production, but in a way very consistent with what Chadbourne has done," he said in May. "We don't have to change much, and don't intend to change much." The mill, he said, "is already excellent at what it does."

The mill had been in the Chadbourne family since 1937.

**'I like selective cutting, but you'd rather do it when you want to.'**

BOB BROWN

After a July tornado felled 200 cords-worth of trees on his Hanover property.



**SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT** Upton's Town Meeting in March was a brief affair. All the articles were approved in about 45 minutes. That left the 30 voters, including Simone Lavallee, in good spirits at the conclusion.

**A bill to expand Indian gaming opportunities in Albany Township would 'alter our lives fundamentally and forever. We, like every one of the 230 families in Albany and nearly everyone else in our community, oppose this bill and oppose it strenuously. I implore you to listen, and more than that to feel, to feel the anguish of those of us who will have to live in the shadow of this gaming operation.'**

STATE SEN. RICK BENNETT (R-NORWAY)  
To the Maine State Senate, May 2000

## Albany unwilling to put its low tax rate on the table to combat Indian gambling

In 1937, faced with a declining population and rising taxes (due in part to a portion of its lands being taken into the White Mountain National Forest) the people of the Town of Albany voted to de-organize.

The town then became a township, which meant residents paid lower taxes, but they also surrendered to the state and county the authority to manage their local municipal affairs.

Sixty-three years later, faced now with the possibility of high-stakes Indian gambling, perhaps even a full-blown casino being established here, Albany residents again made a decision about their political status.

This time they decided they liked things the way they were.

They voted down, 46-171, a proposal to begin the formal process of converting to plantation status.

Such status would bring with it the authority to manage local growth — and to reject any further proposals by the Passamaquoddy Indian Tribe to establish a high-stakes gambling operation on 18 acres of Albany land owned by the tribe.

Just such a plan — calling for building a 2,000-seat high-stakes bingo hall here — was approved in 1997 by the state agency that currently regulates development in

Albany and the rest of the state's unorganized territories.

That approval was eventually overturned on appeal, but on narrow, technical grounds. Many Albany residents, as well as others in the greater Bethel area, feared the tribe would eventually be back with further plans.

That fear was strengthened shortly after the court verdict, when the tribe attempted to have the Maine Legislature change the law that led to the court decision against the bingo-hall plan.

Had the tribe succeeded at this point, the door would have been wide open not only for a bingo hall in Albany, but potentially for unlimited gambling development in the township.

In March that threat abated, when the Maine Senate defeated the tribe's bill. The victory for Albany was due in large part to heavy lobbying by local residents and hard work by local legislators.

State Sen. Rick Bennett (R-Norway) told his fellow senators the bill would "alter our lives fundamentally and forever. We, like every one of the 230 families in Albany and nearly everyone else in our community, oppose this bill and oppose it strenuously. I implore you to listen, and more than that to feel, to feel the anguish of those of us who will have to live in the

shadow of this gaming operation."

Following the bill's defeat, Albany rejoiced, but some wary residents still regarded the victory as only one battle in an ongoing war. They worried the tribe would eventually succeed in changing the law and pursuing its plans for Albany.

So they urged their fellow residents to organize now.

But opponents of organization argued the earlier skirmishes with the tribe — bureaucratic, legal and legislative — had been both an awakening and an education.

If the tribe were to try again here, they argued, they were now well prepared to battle at every level, and to battle successfully.

Opponents also pointed to the cost of organizing. Township services are funded by a pool of taxes drawn from throughout the state's vast unorganized territories. As a result, Albany is in effect subsidized by the tax payments of timber companies and others with large land holdings elsewhere.

The bottom line is that Albany's tax rate is about half what it would otherwise be. Residents pay just over \$9 per thousand dollars of assessed income, compared to a state average of approximately \$17.

In the end, the opponents' arguments prevailed, and, for the short term at least, little will change in Albany.

**'Ann Fitzmorris' two daughters, Patti and Mary Goodwin, are visiting her from Washington state.'**

LORRAINE LARSON  
September 2000



**GOING BACK IN TIME**—In February, the family of Chip and Laurie Tuttle ate out at Jaqui's 50s-theme restaurant in Locke Mills.

## Bethel nixes eminent domain at airport

A bureaucratic crash landing on a remote, little-used logging road appears to have put an end to a plan to extend the runway at the Bethel airport during 2001. At year's end it is not certain whether the project is dead or merely delayed.

The extension plan was initially approved by town voters in August 1998. At a special Town Meeting, 150 voters present passed the plan by a margin of four to one.

It called for extending the length of the runway from 3,150 to 4,000 feet and the width from 60 to 75 feet.

The overall project also included a number of safety improvements, and was to have cost \$2.4 million. Funding for the project would come not from local taxpayers but from the Federal Aviation Administration (90 percent), the Maine Department of Transportation (5 percent) and from the American Skiing Company (5 percent).

But while the money is available, the land needed for the expansion is not. The town has been unable to find a place to reroute an existing

right of way across town-owned land near the end of the expanded runway.

The right of way is used by the owners of otherwise landlocked properties to the west of the airport.

But the road they use passes through the 250-foot wide "primary surface" required by the Federal Aviation Administration.

According to FAA the primary surface must be flat, and its entire perimeter must be enclosed by an 8-foot high chain-link fence, with three strands of barbed wire on an outrigger at the top. But if such a fence were laid out to accommodate the right of way, it would constitute a height encroachment into the primary surface area.

To solve the problem, town officials attempted to negotiate an easement with other abutting landowners, Richard and Mary Valentine.

The easement would allow the town to reroute 700 feet of the road across the rear corner of a 111-acre tree farm owned by the Valentines. In return for that privilege the

Valentines were offered \$12,200, more than six times the land's assessed valuation.

But the Valentines refused, saying money was not the issue.

"The land is not for sale," said Richard Valentine. "This is land we love and have had in the family for 130 years."

The matter then went to town voters, who were asked if they wished to invoke the power of eminent domain to take the right of way.

They were not. On Election Day they rejected a taking by a margin of 887-517.

Following the vote the FAA and MDOT suggested the town go ahead with the safety improvements at the airport during 2001, and plan to extend the runway the following year — assuming some resolution to the right-of-way issue could be found.

Town officials are due to meet with representatives of the two agencies in early January, to discuss where to go from here.

## ... and likewise, a bus plan

One of the arguments raised by those opposed to using eminent domain to take the right of way needed for the runway extension was that the project would largely benefit American Skiing Company, which wanted a longer runway to accommodate its corporate jet, as well as jets used by upscale skiers visiting Sunday River Ski Resort.

A similar argument also influenced a vote affecting Sunday River visitors — and workers — at the other end of the economic scale.

At June's Town Meeting voters turned down, 74-119, a plan that would have funded a local bus system.

The plan would have provided regularly scheduled winter service between Sunday River and Bethel village. It would also have offered less frequent service to Rumford and the Oxford Hills area, and year-round service for a variety of youth activities.

The transit service would have benefited Sunday River by providing transportation for workers and visitors, especially for the increas-

ing number of foreign workers and visitors who arrive here without cars.

But its supporters also argued it would benefit local people, including children, the elderly, and those who could not afford a car.

Over a five-year period the plan would have cost Bethel a total of \$55,000. The balance of the estimated \$1 million needed for buying and operating the buses would come from state and federal money, from Sunday River and other local businesses, and from Newry.

But Town Meeting voters rejected the plan without discussion.

Following the vote, the Transit Committee that proposed the plan was reformed under the auspices of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, and it pressed ahead to develop a plan that did not depend on funding from the town.

According to committee member Jim Largess, such a plan would be more focused on the skiway employees and visitors — since its operating cost would be borne by businesses.

One possible plan calls for

MDOT to buy three or four buses, which would be run during the winter in Bethel and during the remainder of the year in Freeport.

The plan presented at Town Meeting called for the system to be administered by a board composed of representatives of Bethel, Newry and local business.

In the plans now under consideration, Bethel and Newry would have no formal say as to where and when the buses run.

In other transportation news here, the Bethel Board of Selectmen continued to press MDOT unsuccessfully to install a traffic light at the western end of the Parkway, where an accident in September claimed the life of longtime Bethel resident Phyllis Dock.

The board has also asked the state agency to consider banning thru-truck traffic from the Parkway.

In Locke Mills work has finally begun on the long-delayed widening and straightening of Route 26. The project is expected to be completed during the coming construction season.

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IT WORKS LIKE THIS—Kendall Dowel Mill owner Nancy McKenney gives a tour of the mill during the Bethel HarvestFest weekend in September.

## New administrators at Telstar, Gould

2000 brought a new principal to Telstar high/middle schools, and the announcement that the longtime headmaster of Gould Academy would retire.

Telstar principal Ted Davis left his post in June. Earlier in the year, Gould headmaster Bill Clough announced he would retire at the end of the 2000-2001 school year.

In the spring, the two men shared their reflections on their combined 35 years as head of their schools. Davis recalled the effect the school consolidation movement of the 1960s had on students and parents. "Identities were lost with consolidation," he said. "Different towns identified with their local schools, their local athletic teams and drama and music programs. When schools were consolidated, then people didn't have those things in their hometowns. A lot of people had a hard time identifying with consolidated schools."

Clough noted that the loss of clear community identity and morals has led to today's students getting mixed messages about what's important.

And, he said, many of today's baby-boomer parents must confront their own contribution to the erosion of traditional moral principles. Schools are now often left with the task of finding a consensus on values, he said.

### The new faces

Dr. Patrick O'Neill took over as the new principal for the Telstar

complex in July.

O'Neill was formerly the director of a vocational school in Massachusetts, but had earlier been a school administrator in Maine and owned a vacation home in Greenwood.

He came to the post supporting recent efforts at Telstar to offer courses that grab students' interests and help them identify in a more positive way with their education and their school.

Specifically, students are now taking seminar classes on topics ranging from debate to construction projects.

Hands-on projects will, in O'Neill's words, allow students to leave behind a "legacy." A recent building project is the construction of railroad-tie steps leading up to the school's baseball field.

The seminars and other recent educational innovations at the school are part of an "applied learning" approach, O'Neill said. "Learning practical applications of academic subjects will better prepare students for work, as well as help them understand the value of their studies," he said.

### New headmaster

Clough's successor will be Dan Kunkle, whose appointment was announced in early December.

Kunkle is a graduate of Brown and Harvard universities, and served for 10 years as head of the Midland School in Los Olivos, Calif. His wife, Kathy, is also an

educator.

In accepting the position, Kunkle said, "Gould Academy makes its home in a beautiful place that nurtures the human spirit. Kathy and I quickly discovered during our recent visit that Gould's outward beauty is reflected in the inner goodness of the people who make up the place."

### Other events

2000 also brought both triumph and tragedy on school athletic fields and arenas. Gould won MAISAD and New England prep school alpine skiing championships, as well as the New England ski jumping championship.

The Telstar girls' ski team won the combined (alpine and Nordic) Mountain Valley Conference championship, while the boys' Nordic team won the Nordic title.

The Telstar baseball team won the Western Class C Championship then fell to Stearns in the state championship game.

In the fall, a visiting field hockey player died while competing in a game at Gould. It was later found she had suffered a brain aneurysm.

Higher education expanded in the Bethel area when the College of Lifelong Learning began classes in cooperation with Sunday River Ski Resort and the University of New Hampshire system. Employees and local residents enrolled to earn credits toward a degree while still working.



GRANGE DINNERS ARE TIMELESS—Nancy Mercer pours coffee for June and Dick Stearns at the Alder River Grange in East Bethel in September.

## Contestants carry on Bethel's fame

It didn't match the worldwide publicity of 1999's Angus the Snowman, but July's North American Wife-Carrying Contest still drew plenty of media attention to Bethel.

The idea for the contest struck Dr. John Mason when he saw a newspaper account of the World Championship Wife-carrying Contest, held annually in Finland. A member of the Mahoosuc Arts Council board, Mason thought it would be a good fundraiser for the organization on Mollycodd Day.

The rules called for a husband to carry his wife over a 253-meter course that included obstacles and a water hazard. The team with the best time would win. The partners, however, were not technically re-

quired to be united in holy bliss. Casual pickups were fine.

In the time leading up to the contest, coordinator Paula Wheeler received calls from radio stations across the country. She was contacted by stations in Los Angeles, San Diego, Kansas City, North Carolina, Montana, Oklahoma, Texas and Ontario. Others called from Europe. Some were interested in sponsoring a team. The plans for the event were carried on the British Broadcasting Corporation.

Wheeler also heard from Rush Limbaugh and Paul Harvey.

Held at Sunday River Ski Resort on July 15, the competition drew a total of 45 teams. One Tulsa, Okla., couple had won a radio contest to earn the trip to Maine for the com-

petition.

Many of the other contestants were athletes who competed in a variety of sports.

When the event got underway, the water obstacle proved to be the main attraction. Many teams faltered and fell trying to wade through the waist-deep water, much to the delight of spectators.

The winners were John Suitor of Middleburg, Va., and Gail Guy of Hanover, N.H. Finishing second were Paul Spacht and Melanie Markovitz of Bethel.

The top finishers won their "wife's" weight in a variety of prizes, including beer, home heating oil, donuts, soda and CDs.

The Arts Council hopes to make the competition an annual event.

**'To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$75,000 for the purpose of constructing a swimming facility on a parcel of land on the North Road offered to the town by Ernest and Alberta Angevine.'**

ARTICLE ON BETHEL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
And voters did.

## Creatures love-crazed and out of place

One night in October, Don Aylward of Mason stepped out his door to see why his dog was barking.

It didn't take him long to find out. As he walked beyond the edge of his yard, his dog, Ginger, went by him on a dead run, chased by a large bull moose.

The moose flattened Aylward — perhaps only by accident. But what happened next was no accident. The moose turned on Aylward with its rack, spearing him in the ribs.

Aylward finally escaped by rolling into a nearby ditch and waiting until the moose left. He then stumbled back to his house, where his wife called an ambulance.

Aylward spent more than a week in the hospital with rib and lung injuries, and had to return for a second stay when complications developed.

A game warden later speculated the moose may have behaved more aggressively than usual because it was rutting season.

Aylward, an experienced hunter and fisherman, had never seen a moose behave in that way.

"In all the years I've hunted and fished, I've never had a moose be aggressive like that," he said.

Although Aylward's encounter with the moose was a unique, (hopefully) one-time experience, encounters between humans and bears were all too frequent in 2000. During July, the local Ursus population honed their skills at raiding birdfeeders to a science.

One bruin, for example, climbed the tree from which a feeder hung and launched himself through the air, grabbing the feeder on his way down. Another climbed up to a second-floor deck to reach a feeder.

Other bears also came up with clever strategies to snare an easy meal, often startling or frightening humans in the process. Efforts to scare the bears away usually failed, as the bold animals ignored waving and shouting humans.

Why the rash of bear raids?

One biologist theorized that in recent years the bears have learned the feeders are an easy source of food, and have taught their cubs their techniques for getting at the seed. The cumulative effect of that education became overwhelmingly apparent this summer.

Fearing a tragic result for both bears and humans, disappointed birdwatchers reluctantly took in

their feeders.

### Errant avians

Birds — both wild and domestic — also found their way to some unexpected places in the Bethel area in 2000.

In August, a wayward brown pelican showed up on Twitchell Pond in Greenwood. A state wildlife biologist was called in and captured the bird, usually found only in the southern U.S. But the pelican, apparently weakened from a long trip to unfamiliar territory, died only a couple of hours after capture.

In July, a pair of surprised golfers encountered a parrot on the fairway at the Bethel Inn golf course. One golfer tried to pick the bird up and was bitten.

The golfers eventually succeeded in capturing the bird by throwing a towel over it. The parrot, it was later learned, had escaped from a nearby house.

In the fall, motorists on the Sunday River Road in Newry were stopped by a wild turkey looking for a handout. The turkey became very tame, and often had his picture taken by humans offering him food.

**'The temperature in the morning is in the low 40s, and a fog cloud hangs over Lake Umbagog. When the fog burns off we are blessed with light breezes, sunshine and perfect temperatures by noon. This is why we all love Upton.'**

ELLIE LECOMTE  
July 2000

## Greenwood's 1.5 million tires are gone

And finally, the year 2000 may be the last in which the Bethel Citizen's year-end edition must make mention of developments at a massive, illegal tire dump in Greenwood.

During the past year, the state Department of Environmental Protection — with the help of \$1.3 million in taxpayer money — cleaned out the site, and a handful of much smaller sites in nearby Albany Township and Bethel.

Owner Peter Gordon had begun accumulating tires at a site off the Rabbit Road in the late 1980s. In 1991, over the vehement objections of town officials, DEP licensed the site.

At the time the site was licensed, the officials in not only Greenwood but also Bethel argued that Gordon would not manage it in accordance with state environmental regulations. They worried especially about the environmental impact of a fire at the site (which is less than three miles from Bethel village).

The fire never occurred — although Gordon is quoted in court

documents as threatening to "torch those (expensive deleted) tires." But the local officials proved correct in their prediction that the site would not conform with the environmental regulations intended to protect nearby communities.

In 1995 DEP finally got the picture, and the state agency forced Gordon to sign a consent decree barring him from accepting more tires at the site.

He signed, and, according to the state, kept accepting tires anyway. In June of last year he was sentenced to 60 days in jail, a year of probation and 100 hours of public service for violating the decree.

But by then the tires, an estimated 1.5 million of them, were already being hauled out of the site. Using money from a bond approved by state voters, the DEP hired a contractor to chip the tires and haul them to road construction sites in southern Maine, where they would become part of the roadbed.

By November the last of the tires had been removed from the site.

In other 2000 environmental

news, the national Trust for Public Lands and the state of Maine were negotiating through much of the year to purchase 400 acres of land in Riley Township, including land along the south bank of Frenchman's Hole, the popular swimming spot.

By year's end the agencies and the seller, Roy Newton, had not been able to agree on a price, but negotiations continued, according to Ralph Knoll, director of planning and acquisition for the state's Bureau of Parks and Lands.

And the Mahoosuc Land Trust also acquired a new island during 2000, its third in the Androscoggin River.

Helen Dolflof of Hanover donated Willis Island, which is approximately 12 acres in size and located in Hanover, roughly across from the Hastings' farm on the East Bethel Road.

Land Trust member John Laban, Dolflof's contact for the donation, said MLT sees the island primarily as a way station for canoeists, provided they use it properly.



**THE MORE THINGS CHANGE ...**  
John Swan and his family were busy this year building a new home on the former site of the family farmhouse, which burned in October 1999. As construction proceeded, the family put up a familiar bent-over form of a woman's backside, which had long been on display in the window of the farmhouse. And so we turn our backs on 2000.

Bethel



by Virginia Keniston  
The Bethel area experienced a white Christmas, with frigid temperatures and gale-like winds throughout Christmas Day.

Bethel's annual Living Nativity was held last Saturday on the common. It was originally scheduled to take place on the 17th, but was canceled due to rain.

Twenty-eight family members gathered for dinner and exchange of gifts on Saturday, Dec. 23, at the home of Ginny and Bob Keniston.

Glenn and Julie Bangs and daughters, Kalynn, Abby and Madison, are visiting relatives while Glenn is on a 10-day leave from his duties at Fort Meade and Walter Reed Hospital.

Cyndi Mills and Keith Davis held an Open House for their families last Saturday at their home in West Bethel.

Harmony Mills and Graham Wheeler spent several days with their parents over the Christmas holiday.

Stu, Becky, Kailee and Colin Wagner of Edmunds are spending their Christmas vacation visiting with Stu's parents, June and Alvin Wagner in Readfield, and Becky's

parents, Bob and Polly Davis, in Bethel.

Peter and Sharon Kaiser, of Keene, N.H., are spending this week at their vacation home, Yoka Villa, on Mason Street. On Sunday evening, they held an Open House for family and neighbors.

Christmas Caroling, sponsored by the Bethel Alliance Church, was held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. last Saturday on Bethel's Main Street.

Christmas Eve services were held at West Parish Congregational Church with readings and carols at 7 p.m. and candlelight and communion at 11 p.m.

A Christmas Eve candlelight service was held at the Bethel Alliance Church.

Happy New Year to all.

Bethel House

by Ruth Cummings

Hello Nathan, Joyce, Ethan and Jedd. How I wish you could come for a nice long stay in Maine. I miss you all so much. You came to visit often.

Drew Webster assisted on the Bill Young funeral service.

Judy Webster visited with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ikellman and family recently.

At last the carpets have been laid in B-11, the apartment of Charlie Farrar. It took two days.

Rebecca Ricker came in one af-

ternoon and we played cribbage.

Betty Robertson stopped by one day recently with some obituary dates she had said she could give me that I wanted. Please come again Betty when you can stop a while.

Elaine Dresser was in one afternoon and played cribbage. She is a very busy woman and so nice to us folks here at the Bethel House.

Pastor Rick's message on Sunday was "The True Grinch Who Tried to Steal Christmas." A video was shown and Peter and Jodey Goding sang a special number accompanied by Judy Webster on the piano.

Drew Webster visited his mother in Hampton, N.H. a couple of days recently.

Because of the bad weather, I thought that since I was so lame it would be best if I did not go to the Rotary Senior Citizen Dinner. I had enjoyed them so much in years past that I truly hated to miss, but I stayed home. Well, I sure missed a lot of fun, but I did not miss a feast, as the Rotary sent me back a lovely dinner and a gift by my friend and neighbor, Ginny Walker. Thank you, Ginny and the Rotary. My gift was fudge from Maine Line Products and it really was delicious. It was reported 91 attended the dinner and program. I believe it was 119 in 1999. We had better traveling conditions last year.

I was asked why folks here at the Bethel House did not stay in when the weather was bad. Well, whenever we can, we do. However, some work part time and of course we do have appointments. Oftentimes, these are made six months in advance and since you cannot tell from one day to the next what the weather is going to be, how do we know six months ahead. Usually we can keep our appointments if we can get onto the main road. That is why we may be outside here trying to get to our car or the road.

It was Petu Hill and not Pete Hill that attended the Christmas party that PMVC gave us here.

I hear that you now take the Citizen, Martha. I am glad to hear that and hope you enjoy my column.

A group of between 30 and 40 met at the home of Rudy and Joann Royer on Friday evening for our annual Christmas party of the Bethel Alliance Church. It was a real fun time. I certainly had a wonderful evening. We exchanged gifts, played games, told stories and just had fun. Oh yes, of course we ate and we drank coffee and punch. Thank you, Joann and Rudy, for a wonderful evening.

Now that a new President has finally been chosen, why can't everyone think and pray for the best instead of harping on the fact that the USA has gone to the dogs be-

cause it is Bush instead of Gore. Had Gore been chosen, I feel certain that the Bush supporters would be saying the same things about Gore. Come on all you folks out there, let us all pray for the best and believe it will happen. Trust in God, that is what we all need to do. Remember that a lot felt that just because it was the Year 2000 we were doomed. If we pray together and believe, I think we have a chance of things working out all right. Let us all give it a try anyway.

I missed out on a nice Christmas party due to the weather, but I had some nice gifts and goodies brought to me from the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Hanscom and Tyler had hoped to come to Maine the weekend of the 17th, but because of the weather they also stayed home.

There was no church at Bethel Alliance on the 17th due to a power outage there.

Drew and Judy Webster and George Gibson attended the Church of the Nazarene when there was no church at Bethel Alliance.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole, Megan, Emma and Chase of Windham visited relatives in town on the weekend and attended a family Christmas party on Sunday.

After staying at about 30 degrees most of the day on Sunday, the 17th, I noticed at 5:45 p.m. my thermometer was at 44 degrees and at 7 p.m. it was 50. It was still raining but the wind was not blowing.

At midnight the temperature had dropped back to 30 degrees and was still the same at 5 a.m. on Monday. We were fortunate here at the Bethel House not to have the

wind, I heard one clap of thunder and saw a flash of lightning on Sunday morning and it certainly poured in the late p.m. and evening.

Vivian Wheeler and Aimee DeRoches of New Sharon celebrated Christmas with Ginny Walker at the Bethel House on Sunday, Dec. 17. They enjoyed the dinner of fresh shrimp and all the fixings. Following the dinner they exchanged gifts and shared memories.

Becky Ricker and Gerry Shima-mura were in Norway on Monday.

When Cack Bean was headed for West Paris on Monday, a tree blew down in the road in front of him, but he could see it in plenty of time to slow down and go around it.

Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham

It is 6 a.m. Christmas morning and the wind is blowing fiercely. Snow falls very

lightly but blows in large gusts of white. Tasha sticks her nose out and comes quickly back to her spot along side the woodstove. We await the arrival of the sun, hoping it will dispense with the clouds. Then we will hit the outdoors and maybe even catch the eclipse.

Other than the holidays, there appears to be little else happening. The turkey has not been seen, I have not found a roommate and all is wonderfully quiet in the neighborhood. I've even managed to avoid large crowds in the stores.

**SHE'S WILLING TO LEND AN EAR**

Meet Marj Patrick, our reader's representative. As a kind of ombudsman for Sun Journal readers, her calls include requests for corrections in news items, such as stories or captions. She uses her experience as an editor and reporter to try to sort things out. In some cases, she verifies the reader's information and writes a correction for page A2. Other times she turns down the request because it turns out the published information was accurate. Many newspapers don't have this kind of ombudsman, but it's part of the Sun Journal's commitment to its community.

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this year. I prefer to go to small stores where people know me and crowds, loud music and overly perfumed stock don't make me run for cover before I can even look over the merchandise.

It is not that I am a grinch or a scrooge, I just do not like crowds, anymore. Maybe I never did like them. I know I always hated those shopping for school clothes trips, but then I hated school clothes because it meant wearing skirts, and worse yet, even having to buy them. When I was in grade school and junior/senior high, those of us of the female gender had to wear skirts. Looking back on it, I still do not know why we had to do that. It made it harder to play and it meant being cold on the way to school and back. I remember those blue legs — my mother did not believe in tights — and the fact that we could wear our wool snow pants to school, but had to take them off immediately upon entering the classroom. Now I can wear my snowpants all day if I want and sometimes I do.

The important piece of information this week is that the December poetry reading cannot be at the Café and will again be at my house on Sunday River Road. All are welcome. Call 824-3427 for directions. I will try and insure some warmth for the evening, if the wind isn't too swift. No complaints last time, so we should be okay.

Other than that, hope all had a good holiday and I'll see folks at New Year's Bethel. That is always a fun evening and a good deal at twice the price. Have a great week.

### Hanover

by Clem Worcester

The annual Town Meeting on Dec. 15 peacefully passed by. The greatest amount of discussion concerned solid waste and the proposed Interlocal Agreement between Bethel, Newry and Hanover. The 18 voters present authorized the selectmen to enter into the agreement which reportedly will become effective Jan. 1. Voters raised \$37,000 to accommodate the agreement and selectmen will soon name two residents to serve on the Solid Waste Board.

The moderator for the 6 p.m. meeting was Richard Burns. Brenda Lee B. Gross will serve another term, as selectman and Ruth

Brown was elected to another three-year term on the Superintending School Committee. Clem Worcester was re-elected as town clerk, tax collector and treasurer, all one-year terms.

Selectmen set the tax rate at 16.5 mills, an increase of 3.4 mills from last year. The increase is mostly due to an increase in the education budget (voted on in August) because there was an increased number of students from Hanover, and the increase in solid waste costs.

The pizza from Gordie Howe's was enjoyed as well as the community social that followed the Town Meeting.

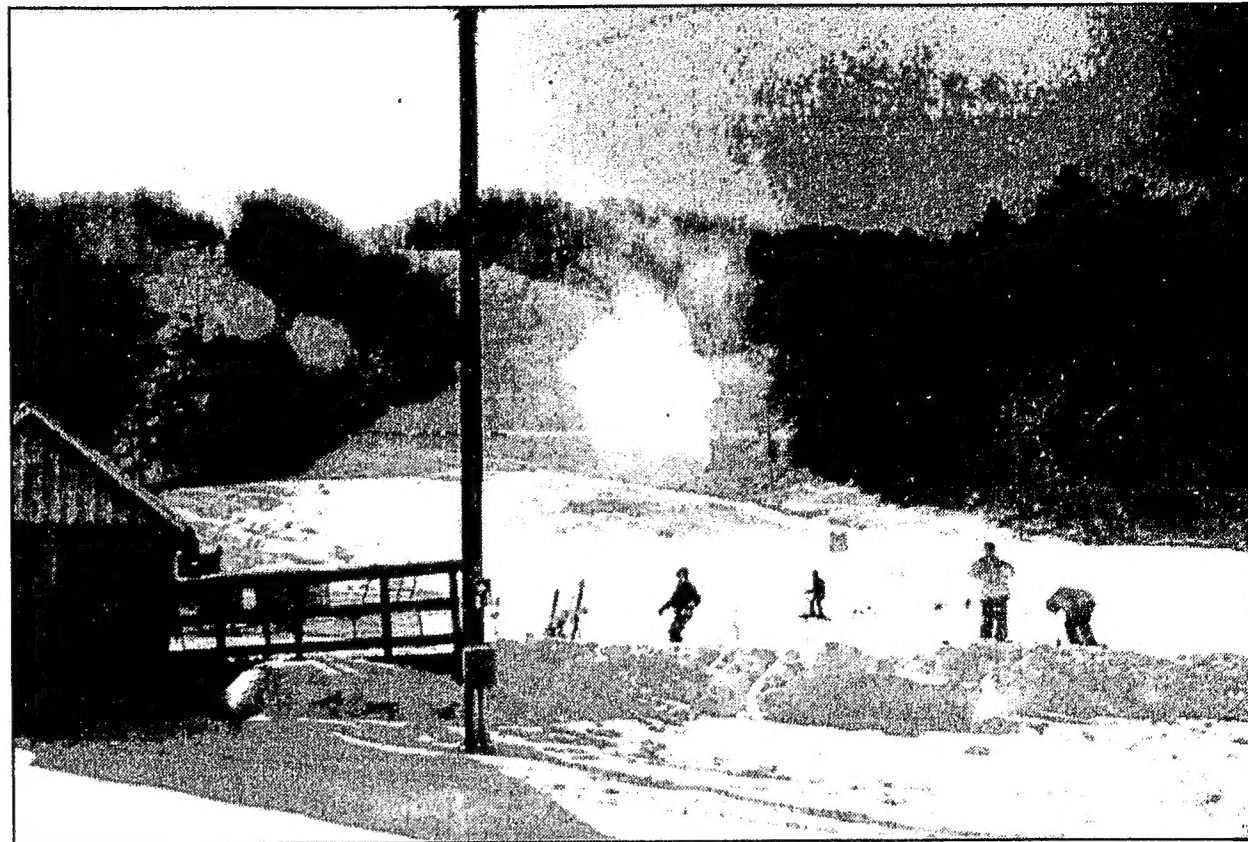
The storm on Sunday started as snow in the afternoon but turned to freezing rain as darkness came. During the night it warmed up enough to be all rain. The rain fell most of the night raising streams and rivers. Some residents complained about flooded cellars. High winds accompanied the rain. As the rain stopped, the wind seemed to increase. At about 6 a.m. Monday morning, the power went out most everywhere in Hanover. Only Main Street from the Rumford town line to Top Hat Road escaped the electrical outage. High winds continued much of the day breaking down trees and was reported to have moved a building off its foundation. The weathervane on top of the steeple at the Rumford Point Church was blown off. As night came the temperatures were dropping and nobody had seen any power company repair crews. Power remained off until Tuesday afternoon when a crew from Massachusetts quickly made repairs and turned on the lights, furnaces and water pumps on.

Another storm dumped about six inches of new snow Wednesday and made slick driving but no major problems. Area schools were closed.

Bob Brown's horse, Buddy, has gone to winter at Deep Woods Farm with Diane and Wyatt Ward in Albany. Buddy will be busy giving sleigh rides at Bethel Inn and elsewhere in the area. Friday morning Bob Brown and Brian Worcester were busy moving the sleds and sleighs from Plumbago Mountain Farm to Bethel.

We hope everyone's Christmas was enjoyed and we extend the best of wishes to all for a great New Year.

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**UP AND RUNNING**  
Mt. Abram opened for the 2000-2001 season on Saturday. The area will be open seven days a week during vacation weeks, and from Thursday through Sunday on non-vacation weeks.  
(Photo by Michael Daniels)

### Mason Township

by Richard Grover

The entire congregation of the West Bethel Union Church was happy to see Gilbert

Haines in church last Sunday. Juanita was relieved to report that Gilbert lost none of his mental faculties due to his recent surgery, and he has also retained his sense of humor. This is good news for all of us who know and love them both. This week he expects to begin radiation treatments, and we trust that all will go well.

I have probably bored many of you with my "animal adventures," but here's another. I have eight of the most skittish chickens you have ever seen. They are eight months old now, and you would think they would be used to me coming into the henhouse to tend them twice daily, but no. If I make the slightest odd move, they go crazy. One day, I brought a small pitchfork of hay into their house to put in the nest boxes; as soon as the hay entered the building, chickens flew against the walls in all directions, breaking one of the windows in the process. I replaced the glass within a few days at a cost of almost \$10. Then, a few days later, I was knelt down

putting grain in their dishes; I moved my arm to reach the other dish, and the chickens flew into a tizzy again — breaking the glass window again. This time, I replaced the broken pane with a piece of cardboard. That'll teach 'em. They can spend winter in a darkened room.

Last weekend, after our last five or six inches of snow, Rupert Sr. and Rupert Jr. went around the snowmobile/ski trail and cleared all the recently downed trees and brush out of the trails. Altogether, there must be four or five miles of trail, which gives us a pretty good workout on cross-country skis. Of course, that part of the trail on the "Little Camp Road" of the farm is really "wash-boardy," with humps and hollers of two feet, or more, making for rough skiing until the snow gets deep enough to fill in the low places.

Mona and I made a couple trips around the trails and noted all the wildlife tracks. Several deer have been nibbling on the maple tree tops where I had cut firewood recently; we flushed several partridges and noted the tracks of numerous rabbits, some coyotes, squirrels, mice and turkeys. One turkey found a place where beech-nuts had blown out of the trees and was cleaning them up. Only trouble was, the snow cover is still thin, making it tough to control the skis in the rough or "sidling" places.

Snow consistency is ideal, though. The only time Mona fell down was when she was standing still, and her skis slid out from under her. Embarrassing.

### North Newry

by Gil Seeley

The Newry Community Church is closed for the winter and will have services in the spring.

Karlene Bachelder, Gil Seeley and Bea Lowell were at the Oxford Lanes in Rumford one day to do some bowling for fun. On the first string, Karlene was high beating Gil by one pin and Bea by 18 pins. On the second string, Karlene took off with a string of 101, beating both Gil and Bea by a lot. On the third string, Karlene and Gil tied, beating Bea by 17 pins. So on the overall scores, Karlene was high on both the singles and triples. She had two spares and one strike. Bea had one strike. They went to lunch and did some shopping.

I did not send any Christmas cards this year. But I want to thank everyone who sent me some. I wish you a very happy New Year and good health. I love you all, God Bless you.

A miniature Santa Claus visited the home of Brad and Brenda Wight on Christmas Eve.

John and Nancy Wight and family held their family Christmas tree on Christmas Eve. Prior to the tree, the group celebrated the birthdays of Loretta Berry (26th) and Brad Wight (27th). On Christmas Day, the Wights entertained family and friends at a Christmas dinner at their home.

### Upton

by Eleanor LeComte

We had a very white Christmas. It was extremely cold and windy. Most of the

townsfolk stayed indoors and enjoyed Christmas dinner and their gifts. Some hardy souls ventured out on their snowmobiles.

Last week, we had five bucks coming in to feed along with the other deer. All sported good racks. By the end of the week only one had his antlers. He is now king of the hill. I found one antler on the beach. Walter Stanczyk, who had just had his snowblower repaired, found one in the driveway. The snowblower tried to devour it. Needless to say the machine lost, and is now back in the shop.



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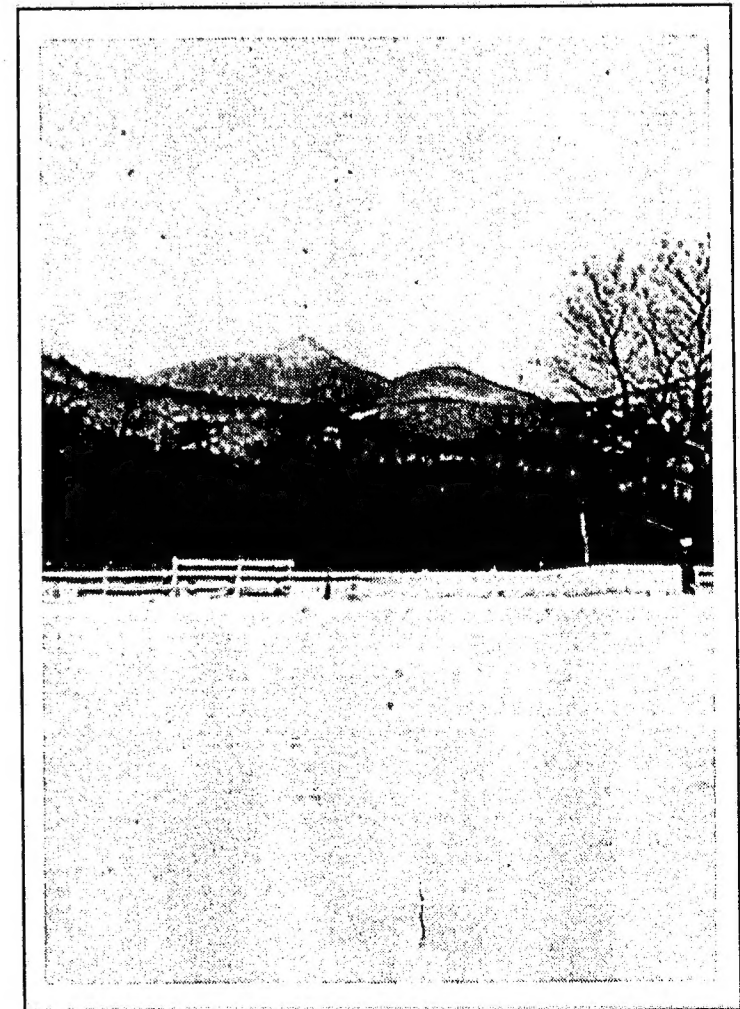
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Larry Nelson observed that the birds at the feeder were very still. Thinking a hawk was in the area he investigated further. The bald eagle was cruising the area looking for lunch. Let's hope he found a rodent and left the birds alone. I don't know whether the eagle made his way into the Christmas Bird Count, but the bald eagle is the "Bird of the Week."

The sun was bright and clear in Upton when the eclipse occurred. I kept running to the window, but I never saw it. My mother didn't raise any foolish children, and I wasn't about to go outside and view it, in this weather.

The new millennium begins on Monday. We wish peace and prosperity to all.

Happy New Year.

## Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Annie Crockett had a very nice Thanksgiving dinner with Maurice, Cecile and family. The boys came from Portland and West Paris and grandchildren from Industry. A great dinner was had by all, cooked by "Maurice the Chef." The Lescaults took Annie to the Christmas concert at the Cathedral in Portland on Dec. 3. Martin, their son, sings with the Maine Choral Arts Society and they were the performers of that event. What a great performance by all. The next concert is the "Messiah" on April 1 at the Cathedral. Martin will be the soloist at that time. He also sang at Our Lady of Snows Church on Christmas Eve. The people of the church are lucky he can help them at that beautiful occasion.

Patch the Pirate Club meets each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m., same time as prayer meeting, at the Baptist Church. Sunday services are Fellowship Time at 8:45 a.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning



worship at 10:30 a.m. and evening service at 6 p.m.

Alice and Ken Hoyt attended the Christmas program at Edgecomb School on Tuesday evening. Maggie and Joseph Hoyt were in it.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet on Monday, Jan. 1 with a 6 p.m. supper. The program is "New Beginnings."

Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Jan. 4 at the Town Annex. This will be a potluck dinner and brown bag auction. Please bring a dish to share — hot dish, salad or dessert — and your own place setting. Dues are due at this meeting.

The Historical Society hopes its work for the community and area is something that benefits residents and visitors alike. Curator Larry Billings recently read "All's Well That Ends Well." He likes to read Shakespeare plays occasionally. The Historical Society wishes you a good year 2001. A new century can bring wonderful opportunities for us all and hopefully for the country as a whole. Let's all hope and pray for the best. Curator Larry Billings went to the Christmas Open House at Maine Line Products in Locke Mills. It is a nice store and Larry often buys cards, stationery or postcards there.

Happy New Year to everyone.

## South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

I had a nice chat with Carol Corriveau one day last week. She is home from Maryland after helping her daughter take care of baby Andrew, who has had a hard time since birth. He is doing much better but still needs a lot of care. Carol said he is very active and misses him a lot.

One morning this week I had a nice visit with Ora Ryerson, on the phone. Ora seems to be doing quite well and we had a good time talking about a little of everything. It was nice of her to call and I really enjoyed it.

We had a white Christmas this year and the snow is staying on this time. Richard has been working a lot of overtime for the MDOT in Bethel.

The power has been off on Curtis Hill Road twice already this winter. We didn't lose ours but several did. Congratulations to Bertha Benoit and the Rev. Gordon DeHaas on their engagement and upcoming marriage to take place Dec. 30 at the West Paris Baptist Church. We wish them many happy years together.

**BUCK HONORED**  
At its recent annual employee recognition dinner, Northeast Bank celebrated Jannine Buck's 21st anniversary with the bank. Buck is an assistant vice president in the Property and Casualty Division of the Insurance Department, working out of the Bethel branch. Here, Ron Kendall, chairman of the board (left), and Jim Delamater, president and CEO congratulate Buck for her service to the bank and to Bethel.

## West Paris

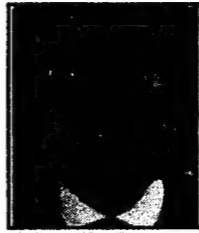


by Bertha Benoit

The wedding of the Rev. Gordon T. DeHaas and Bertha H.W. Benoit of West

Paris has been changed from 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 30, to 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 30 at the West Paris Baptist Church. Reception will follow downstairs in the church.

## West Paris



by Miriam Inman

The Universalist Church potluck supper on Sunday evening

was well attended. A singing of carols was enjoyed as well as the Christmas tree, with Santa passing out gifts for all the children. Mrs. Santa accompanied Santa.

On Monday evening, the West Paris Historical Society held their Christmas Party at the home of Ted and Betty Jones, with 16 present. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments enjoyed.

Goodwill Fellowship met on Tuesday evening with Nancy Willard on Alpine Shores, Bryant Pond for the Christmas Party. After a short business meeting, various delicacies were sampled and gifts exchanged. Three games of Bingo were played. The next meeting will be with Beverly Stevens on Jan. 22 for a potluck supper.

A pre-Christmas holiday gathering was held last Sunday at the home of Nestor and Rachel Ruokolainen. Those present were Dee Dee Chase; Rick, Linda and Chad Chase; Randy, Wendy and Rebecca Chase; Lisa, Ron and Katy Darling;

Karen, Alan, Chris and Amanda Waterhouse; Ray and Angie Durgin, and Natie and Kelsey; Jenn Ruokolainen and Gordon Durgin.

On Saturday, Dee Dee and Nestor and Rachel Ruokolainen will join a Christmas Party at Alan and Karen Waterhouse's home.

Last Tuesday, Beverly Stevens, Georgine Thayer and Lena Dean visited with Eleanor Bunker in Kearsage, N.H.

I hope I get some Christmas party news for next week.

## East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson

Hi readers. It's that time of week again. On Friday, Dec. 15, Santa Claus came to the

Stoneham Community Christmas tree. There were about 26 children there, and with adults making about 50 people. Pizza, chips, punch, coffee, hot cocoa and then ice cream were served. All the children got gifts and on the tree there were 32 pairs of nice hand-knitted mittens that Virginia Luneau had made and donated. What a nice time was had by all that were there.

On Saturday morning, Christmas boxes and fruit platters were made by members of town, church and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

On Sunday, Dec. 17, the weather was rainy and messy but Dale and Kitty took us to the play at Kezar Lake Grange Hall at North Lovell in the afternoon. This was an original musical written by Dennis

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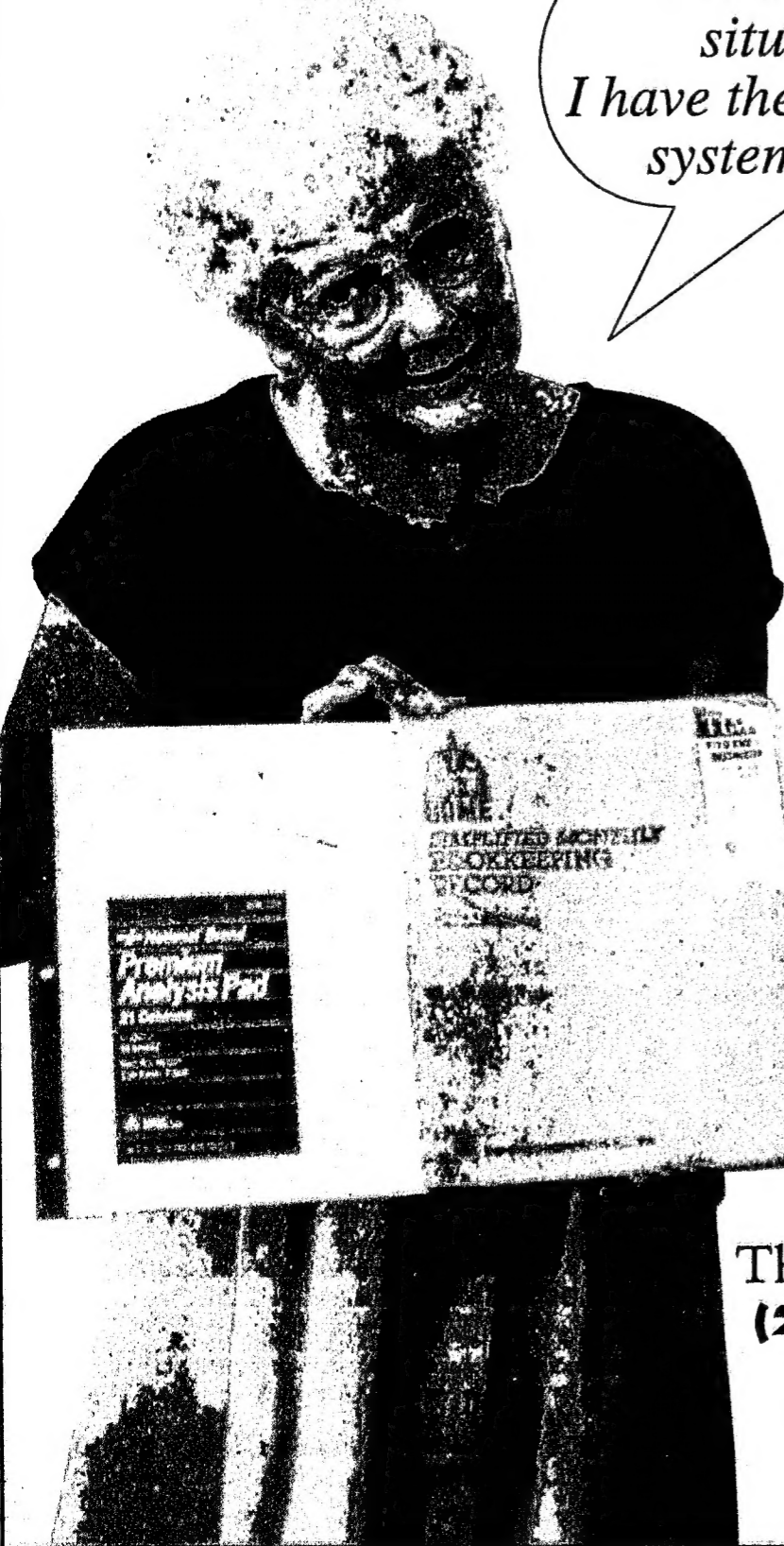
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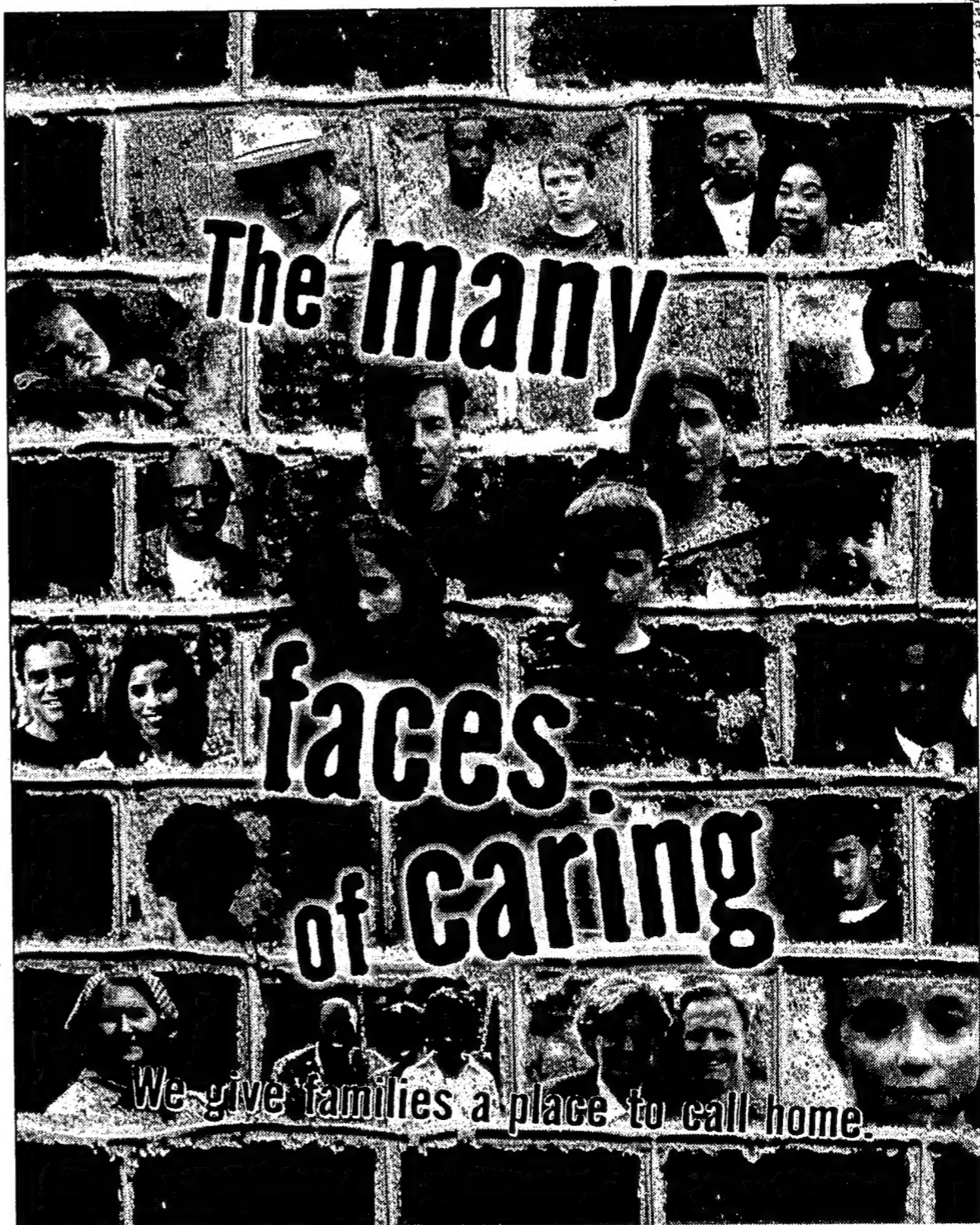
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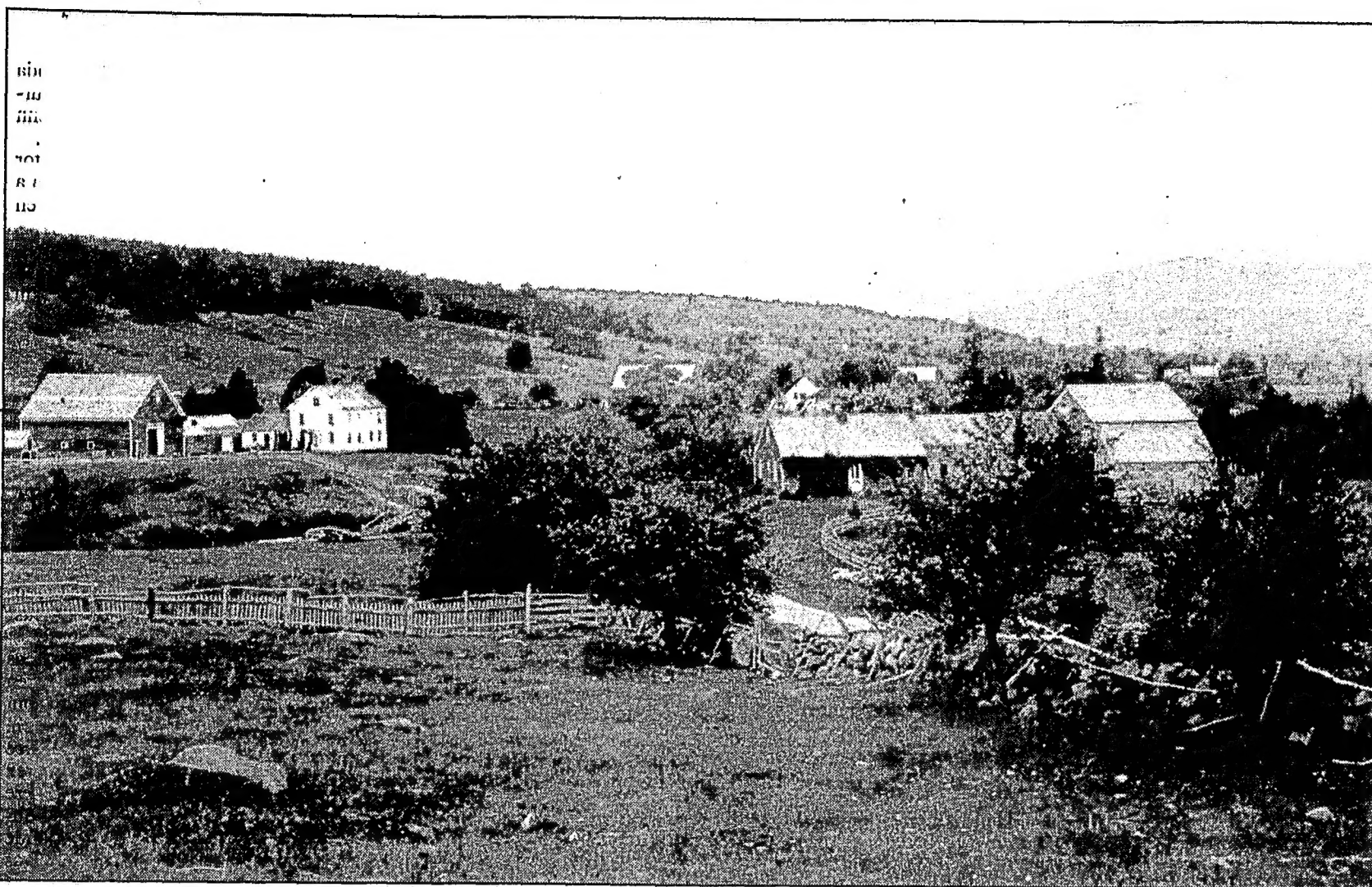
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**THE JOHN DECATUR HASTINGS HOMESTEAD** (parts of which date back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century) is shown on the left while the former Parsonage is on the right as they appeared in 1895 in this Irving Kimball photograph. Kimball was a well-known Bethel photographer, who was born and raised on the farm appearing above the roof of the Parsonage. All three farms were once occupied by members of the Kimball family with only Irving Kimball's family still owning the property and bearing the name. Florence Hastings lives in the Hastings Homestead. While on the Parsonage site, Diane Howe resides in a house built in 1901. Richard Kimball still owns the property where Irving Kimball once lived as a boy. This photograph is one of thousands that can be found at the Bethel Historical Society, which also possesses an outstanding collection of manuscripts, books, documents, and artifacts relating to western Maine and northern New Hampshire. The society is currently raising funds to establish its Regional History Center on Broad Street and the 1821 O'Neil Robinson House, which now houses exhibit galleries, offices, and the museum shop. Completion of this project will provide for improved storage space and greater access to collections as well as rooms devoted to educational activities, genealogical and historical research, and traditional crafts. Once the center is fully operational it will offer an expanded series of lectures, special events, conferences, courses, seminars, and publications. To learn more about this project, call the society at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 or use the e-mail address history@bdc.bethel.me.us or visit the web site: http://orion.bdc.bethel.me.us/history.

Barker and directed by Denny Barker. This one was named "Keewaydin TAR." It was about a Class of 1991 reunion of Keewaydin High School. These plays are always good and I hope Dennis continues doing it. I hadn't realized he'd been doing it for 19 years. The kids all love being in the plays and working with him, and they do a fantastic job. Grandson Matthew has been in them, I think, for about four years now.

Do you watch "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" It's not just entertaining but educational as well. I learned tonight what animal has three hearts and what George Bush's middle name is. There are many more things I learned. (I just learned to not hit a wrong key as I lost a whole typed page and have to do it all over again.) Anyway, they say you aren't too old to learn, right?

I was pleased to read the announcement from Wiles Funeral Homes, Inc. that grandson Eric

Nelson has met the Maine licenser requirements that qualify him as a licensed funeral service practitioner. He studied at New England Institute at Mt. Ida College in Newton, Mass., and then transferred to State University of New York in Canton, N.Y. where he earned a degree in mortuary science in 1999. At SUNY he was a dean's list student and served as resident assistant. He was also vice president of the Mortuary Science Association. After graduating, he served his apprenticeship at Wiles Funeral Homes and became a licensed funeral director/embalmer in Maine this summer. Rhonda Wiles said they are very pleased and honored to have Eric join them in their business in the Dixfield, Jay, Farmington and Wilton area.

The Stoneham Church annual meeting is Jan. 17 and Oxford County United Parish annual meeting is Jan. 31.

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and have a happy and healthy New Year.

### From the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

The third annual New Year's Bethel, presented by the Bethel Historical Society in cooperation with the Mahoosuc Arts Council and the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, will be held on Sunday, Dec. 31, beginning in historic Bethel Village at 6 p.m. with the lighted vehicle parade. Six venues are planned for a wide variety of entertainment between 7 p.m. and midnight. There will be a food court, marshmallow roasting fire, horse wagon rides, church bells, and fireworks at midnight sponsored by the Bethel Inn. Tickets to this chem-free family event are available for \$10 adults and \$8 for students ages 8-18 at the Citizen Office, Maine Line Products, Be-

thel Area Chamber of Commerce and the Bethel Historical Society Museum Shop at the Robinson House.

Participants for the lighted vehicle parade are needed. Anyone willing to join with a lighted vehicle is encouraged to call the Society office at 824-2908 or Geof Gaudreau at 824-2807 for further information. Participants should gather at the Health Center parking lot on Railroad Street, beginning at 5:45 p.m.

Volunteers are always welcome to assist at New Year's Bethel in a variety of ways. Anyone willing to help should call Susan Herlihy at 824-3932 for information regarding volunteer opportunities.

Sponsors for New Year's Bethel are still needed to support venues and other activities. Among the latest sponsors are: Margaret Joy Tibbetts, River View Resort, Sunday River Skiway Corporation, Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center, The Village Sampler, Michael J. O'Donnell,

Rivendell House, Maine House, Good Food Store, Norway Savings Bank, Lee and Al Barth, and Adelpia. All sponsors will be listed at the venues and will receive wide public recognition for their support. Tax-deductible contributions may be sent to the Society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217. Checks should be made payable to the Bethel Historical Society.

A record number of donors (358) have also contributed a record number of dollars (\$14,700+) to the Bethel Historical Society's 2000 Annual Fund Campaign. Among the latest individuals making gifts are: Geneva J. McCoy, Bethel, in memory of Samuel F. McCoy; Sarah S. Tucker, Bethel; Catherine Canavan, Cool, Calif.; Bill and Susan Herlihy, Newry; Joann Mooney, London, UK; Adolf Honkala, Midlothian, Va.; Dr. John R. and Tracy Mason, Bethel. Those wishing to make a gift in honor or in memory of an individual or individuals should send it to the Society at the above address.

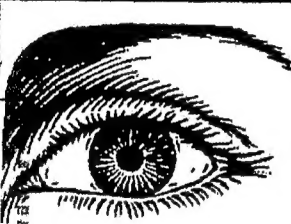
### From the Bethel Area Poets Society

Bethel Area Poets Society will hold a monthly poetry reading on Thursday, Dec. 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. All area poets and poetry lovers are invited to attend. Come and read your poetry, someone else's poetry, or just come and listen. All are welcome.

Due to the holiday, this month's reading will be held on Sunday, River Road in Newry, across from the fire station. Anyone needing directions or wanting more information can call 824-3427.

Come and enjoy a fun night out and share your favorite poems with others.

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## The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published here by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. Now it is over and a New Year is about to commence. The holidays bring about a lot of good spirit and brotherly/sisterly love. They bring memories, reflections and hope. They also seem to bring with them WINTER and this year is no exception.

So I hope that all you skiers, snowmobilers, snow tubers, snowboarders, sledgers, skaters and ice fishing people are happy. Winter is back and for those of us who don't participate in winter activities our good spirits and brotherly/sisterly love is all ready starting to chill.

It's not just the freezing arctic temperatures that turn the blood in my veins to ice, it's not the blizzards that dump a million inches of snow in my driveway, it's not even the freezing rain turning the whole state into a crystalized rotunda that gets me down. It's all that and everything else that is related to winter that causes a grown to freeze on my face.

Think about the cold and we have certainly had some of that lately. What good is it other than keeping the black flies and mosquitoes under control? You have to wear big bulky coats, long Johns, sweaters, extra socks, flannels, hats, earmuffs and mittens, and that's just to go to bed. Your bones creak, your joints ache, your skin dries out and flakes and your body gets all lumpy from goose bumps. So what good is winter?

Then there are the fuel bills. By the time winter is over, the oilman and I will be on a first name basis. I'll end up knowing the names of his kids and their birthdays and how great his wife's meatloaf is.

And have you ever noticed that once you're way over budget on the oil bill, the furnace will break down? It will happen on the coldest night of the year just when you're getting ready to go to bed. It never fails! So what good is winter?

As for snow and ice, I can't think of one decent thing to say. Oh sure, I guess you could point out that it is beautiful after a snow or ice storm, but if I want to appreciate that kind of beauty I always have the calendars that the oilman leaves to look at.

I certainly don't see anything beautiful about the white-knuckle driving caused by the road conditions when Mother Nature decides to beautify the landscape. I swear she must be having PMS every time it storms. So what good is winter?

There might be some people who like driving in that kind of crap, but they're either sick-minded psychopaths or out-of-state skiers. I don't fall into either category, though some folks might argue about the first.

I get nervous at the first sight of a snowflake and by the time there is an inch of snow on the ground I am a wreck. And without a doubt, when there is a major storm, I will have to go somewhere that I just can't get out of going to, like work. If it's bad enough to close school, it should be bad enough to close work. But no, it just doesn't work that way. I have to bundle up and shovel the driveway, which I always finish just in time for the snowplow to go by so I can shovel it again.

Then once I'm on the road the fun begins. It's bad enough that I shouldn't be on the road in a state of panic, but there are all those other drivers in the same state that I'm in. It's easy to recognize who we are; we're the ones going 5 M.P.H. with our hands frozen to the wheel and a look of sheer horror on our pale faces. Don't come near us because we'll probably go into a skid and none of us are sure if we are supposed to steer into a skid or away from it, so we usually just put our hands over our eyes and hit the brakes.

You people who plow driveways, you know who we are, we're the ones laying on our horns, a scream frozen on our lips, our cars headed

for the snow bank as you back your plow truck out in front of us. Why don't you plow in the middle of the night like the towns do?

Once us white-knuckle drivers get to our destination it takes a while for us to get our hearts under control and pry our fingers from the steering wheel. It's really stupid to make us work on days like these because once we get to work we spend the entire day looking out the window and worrying about how we're going to get home. That's not exactly productive, so our bosses should just let us stay home when it storms. The folks plowing driveways would certainly appreciate it. So what good is winter?

Another problem with winter weather is trying to keep the floors clean - forget it! When it isn't snow being tracked in to melt all over the clean floors, it's sand. Sometimes it's snow and sand. Sometimes it's snow, sand and mud. Give it up, you can't win. You can ask people to take their boots off, but if their feet stink, you've got another problem.

So let's analyze what we're dealing with for all you winter lovers. Winter is messy, cold and dangerous. Fuel and electric bills go soaring costing us a bigger percentage of our paychecks. The roads are dangerous to drive on causing accidents and costing more money. Every year most of us have to buy some or several items of winter clothing for ourselves or families costing yet more money. People get more colds and flus missing work and going to doctors costing even more money. One has to wonder if Mother Nature isn't in cahoots with big business! So what good is winter?

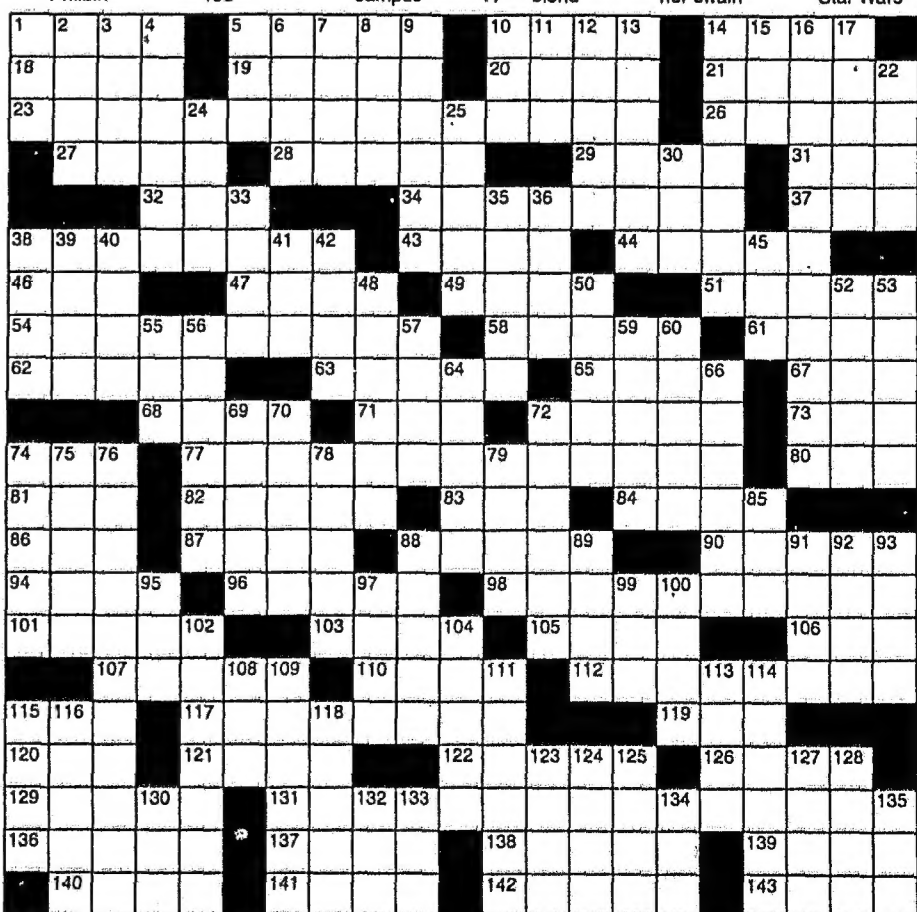
The way I see it, the only good thing there is about winter is that it will eventually end. Until then, I think I will just wrap myself up in a blanket and hibernate until the robins return from wherever the heck it is they go. I ask you again, winter, what good is it?

For all of you, whether you like winter or not, I wish you a very happy, prosperous and healthy New Year!

## Super Crossword

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 "I the truth?"</p> <p>5 Restrain</p> <p>10 Conduit</p> <p>11 Ittings</p> <p>14 Active volcano</p> <p>18 "The Green" (56 hit)</p> <p>19 Victorian ornament</p> <p>20 Rachel's sister</p> <p>21 TV's "Wonder"</p> <p>23 Guns n' Roses hit</p> <p>26 — nous</p> <p>27 Soprano</p> <p>28 — a day's work</p> <p>29 Sleuth Nancy</p> <p>31 Heriman's</p> <p>32 Mythical monster</p> <p>34 In flight</p> <p>37 Adjective suffix</p> <p>38 One of "The Three Tenors"</p> <p>43 Rock's — &amp; the Gang</p> <p>44 Pine</p> <p>48 Kimono cummerbund</p> <p>49 Intergalactic</p> <p>49 Cranny's companion</p> <p>51 Toymaker or Philbin</p> | <p>54 Rose Nylund's portrayal</p> <p>58 Okelankoe, for one</p> <p>61 Skin problem</p> <p>62 Irwin of "The Crocodile Hunter"</p> <p>63 "76 Peace"</p> <p>65 Pestiferous person</p> <p>67 Unmatched</p> <p>68 Went like</p> <p>71 Apprehend</p> <p>72 Cum in or coriander</p> <p>73 Stretch the</p> <p>74 Health concern</p> <p>77 Billy Rose song</p> <p>80 Organ of equilibrium</p> <p>81 Poetic pot</p> <p>82 Reference volume</p> <p>83 Patriotic org.</p> <p>84 Prepare prunes</p> <p>86 Bar supply</p> <p>87 Linguist</p> <p>88 Chopsky</p> <p>89 Scope</p> <p>90 Unbroken</p> <p>94 "Divine Comedy" figure</p> <p>96 Caroline, to Ted</p> | <p>98 "The Name of the Rose" author</p> <p>101 Send the money</p> <p>103 Salt serving</p> <p>105 — Alto, CA</p> <p>106 Dover's st.</p> <p>107 Fight site</p> <p>110 Temporary</p> <p>111 Ending for "truth"</p> <p>112 Butcher's offering</p> <p>115 "The — and I" (47 film)</p> <p>117 "Fall —"</p> <p>119 Ending for "auction"</p> <p>120 Sought office</p> <p>121 Penny or peseta</p> <p>122 Wrong</p> <p>126 Architect</p> <p>129 Conductor</p> <p>131 Rose McGowan movie</p> <p>136 Murcia mister</p> <p>137 Take — the chin</p> <p>138 Spring for</p> <p>139 Actor's Ward</p> <p>140 Live on lettuce</p> <p>141 Bean on the bean</p> <p>142 Hope's "The Prisoner of —"</p> <p>143 North Carolina campus</p> | <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1 Pitches</p> <p>2 Where the tail corn grows</p> <p>3 Gallagher of Ossie</p> <p>4 Aftershock</p> <p>5 New Deal</p> <p>6 "Gory funny!"</p> <p>7 Runner Zatepek</p> <p>8 Room with-out a view?</p> <p>9 Alaskan</p> <p>10 Shady character?</p> <p>11 Wahine's wreath</p> <p>12 Job of "Dr. Quinn"</p> <p>13 "62 Four Seasons hit</p> <p>14 Glasses</p> <p>15 Dress size</p> <p>16 "Ramblin' Rose" singer</p> <p>17 Stage backdrop</p> <p>22 Clockmaker</p> <p>23 Thomas</p> <p>24 Grocer's measure</p> <p>25 Tearjerker?</p> <p>30 Vane letters</p> <p>33 Guile</p> <p>35 Perch</p> <p>36 Run through</p> <p>38 Male swans</p> <p>39 Help a hood</p> <p>40 Formal ceremony</p> <p>41 — blond</p> | <p>42 Goes down-hill fast?</p> <p>45 Stephen of "Interview with the Vampire"</p> <p>48 Losses a lap</p> <p>50 Phi Beta —</p> <p>52 79 Down's</p> <p>53 Passover meal</p> <p>55 Watching machines?</p> <p>58 Petty officer</p> <p>59 Dairy-case purchase</p> <p>60 Ornamental loop</p> <p>64 Gulf</p> <p>66 Most revolutionary</p> <p>69 Divulge</p> <p>70 — Lama</p> <p>72 Cocktail ingredient</p> <p>74 It makes candy dandy</p> <p>75 Austen title start</p> <p>76 "The Rose Tattoo" actress</p> <p>78 Christened</p> <p>79 "Elephant Boy" star</p> <p>85 Wine and dine</p> <p>88 Moral man?</p> <p>89 Slows sight</p> <p>91 A swan was her swain</p> | <p>92 Summer-time treats</p> <p>93 Lamebrain</p> <p>95 Russian space station</p> <p>97 Tranquil</p> <p>99 Lily of pharmaceuticals</p> <p>100 Morning wear</p> <p>102 a.p.m. vehicle?</p> <p>104 Muslim dietary term</p> <p>108 Sgt. of cpl.</p> <p>109 Like lemons</p> <p>111 WWII admiral</p> <p>113 Shorten a sail</p> <p>114 Threat words</p> <p>115 Desire</p> <p>116 Looked longingly</p> <p>118 — a customer</p> <p>123 Concerning</p> <p>124 Lightweight gun</p> <p>125 Large herring</p> <p>127 Whirl</p> <p>128 Christianity, today</p> <p>130 Affliction</p> <p>132 Wolfram —</p> <p>133 Eschenbach</p> <p>134 "Wings" abbr.</p> <p>135 Solo of "Star Wars"</p> |
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YOUNGSTERS in the Bethel area were busy last week brightening the holidays for others. Top left: Needy families in the Bethel area will benefit from a recent large donation of ski clothing by the Great American Ski Renting Company/Buchikas of Bethel. The coats, pants, gloves and hats are an in-kind donation to the Headstart program, through which they will be distributed. Maryvonne Wheeler is the contact person for the distribution. Anyone knowing of someone in need of the clothing may call her at 824-0525. Volunteering to help sort the clothing are Garrett Morton (left), 8, and Noah Morton, 7. Wheeler also coordinates sponsorships of area families for Christmas. Sponsors provide food and other items to families in need. Wheeler said interest in that effort is growing every year, and is particularly strong this year. Families who spend ski vacations here are among those acting as sponsors, she said. Bottom left: Students at "Child's Play" preschool were seen about town delivering a letter to Santa at the Post Office, as well as caroling on Main Street. Pictured are (front): Kiersten Drapeau; back: Zach Kellner, Sophie Forest-Lawton, Reed Thurston, Logan Bartlett. Josh Oliver was absent. Top right: Spring Street Dance Theater students who performed at the Veterans' Home, High Street, South Paris, on Dec. 19 were Tamara Isham, Julia Rhinlander, Josh Oliver, Patrycja Blachut, Megan Bailey, Jillian Cole, Heather Jordan, Beth Stockwell, Jacqui Wheeler, Tiffany Jordan, Kristi Skalski, Hope Abarno, Michelle Deegan, Laura Pivin, Kate Caddigan, Bryan Wilson, Heather Zimmerman, Charli McGrew, Danna Wilson, Elizabeth Rosenberg, Missie Yasko, Tearah Stone, Morgan Carter, Taylor Buckalew.

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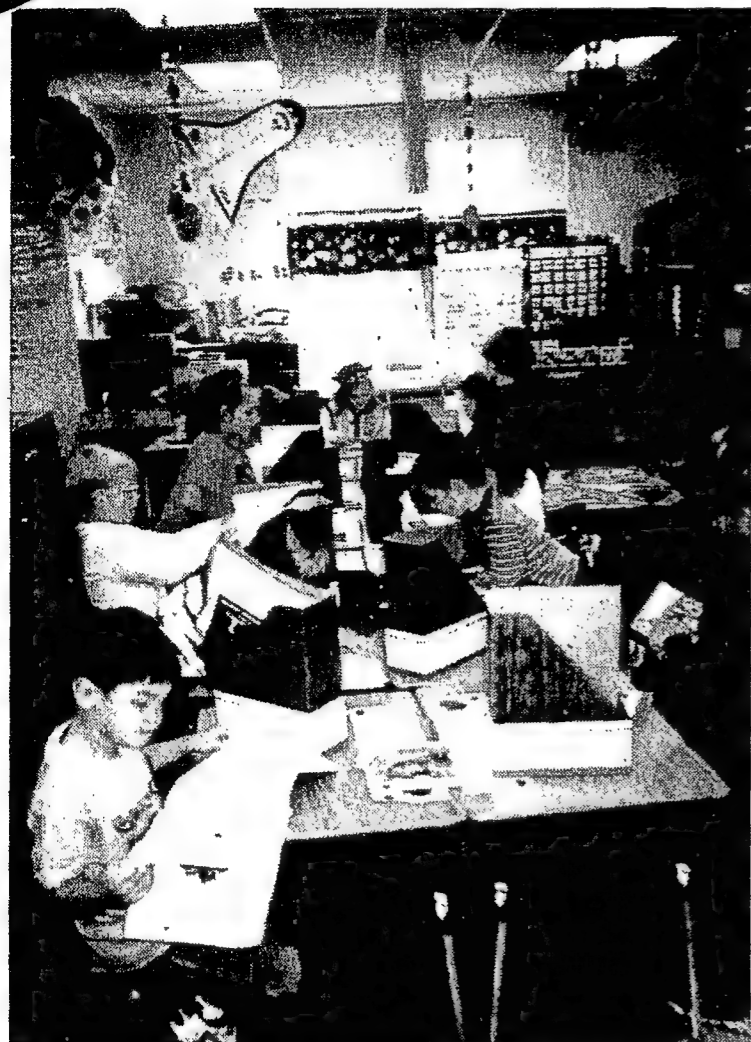
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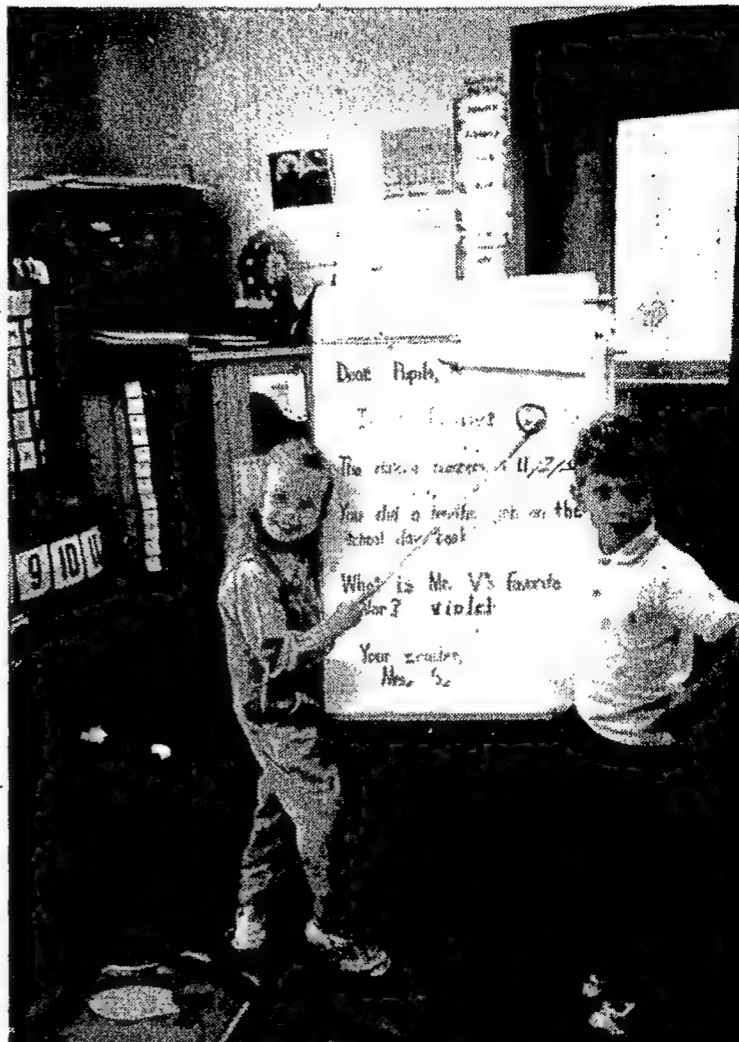
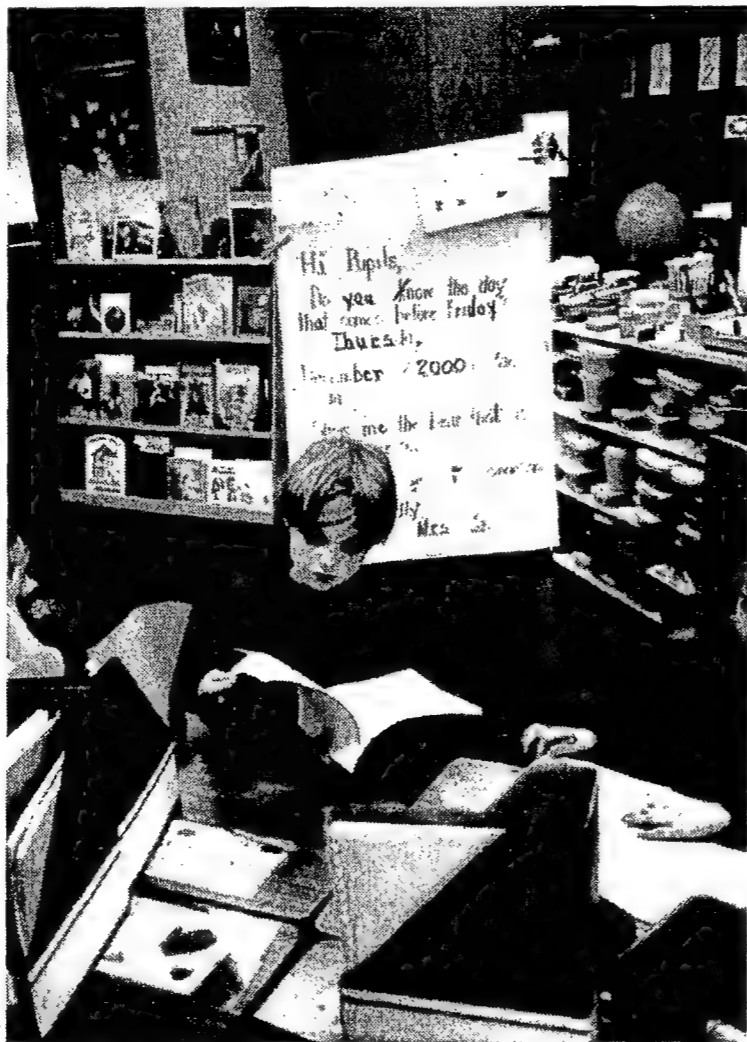
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Kindergartners at CPS enjoy individual reading time as they peruse all the material in their book boxes. The students have written, illustrated & assembled six class books in conjunction with the district literacy program along with one book containing poetry.



Rachel Wheeler and Dominic Haines, Kindergartners in Mrs. Sabin's class at CPS, demonstrate their print awareness skills as they lead the class in their daily reading instruction.



Andover Elementary School - Perfect Attendance 1st Quarter.



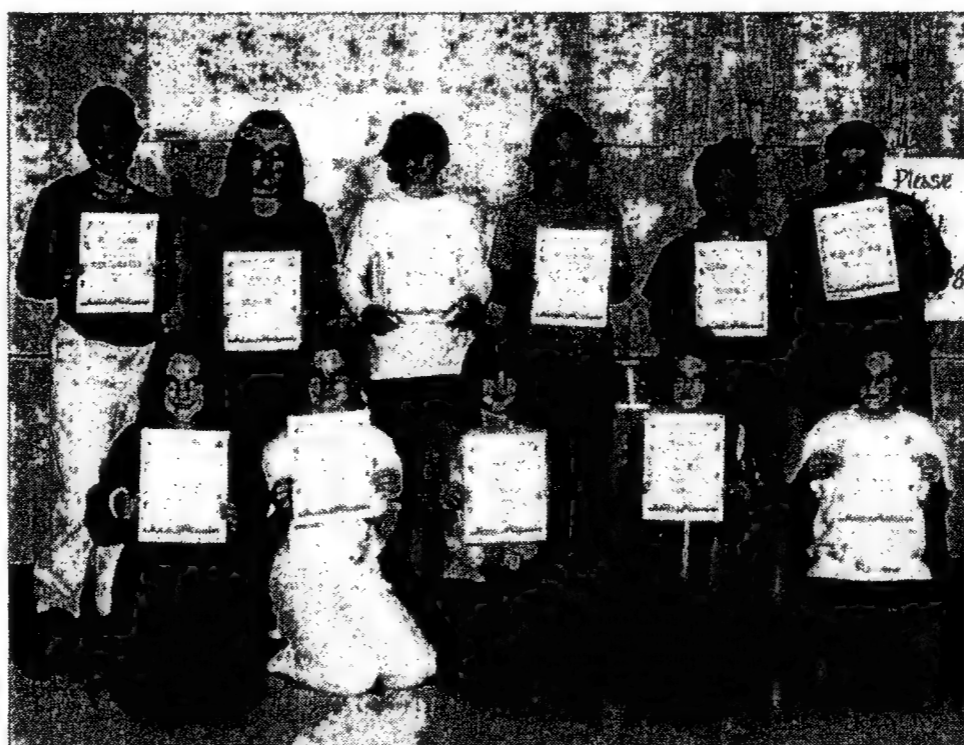
Telstar Middle & High School Christmas Concert. Music teacher Jennifer Christiansen directs. (Photo by Jay Hanscom)



Andover Elementary School Spelling Bee participants. Front L-R: Amy Jane Mahar, Carl Zurhorst, Deagan Conrad. Back L-R: Whitney Mills, Kayla Damon, Patrick Milligan.



Miss Stuart's Third Grade class at Crescent Park School is shown here with their ancestor dolls made in conjunction with a Social Studies unit on immigration.



Andover Elementary School 1st Quarter Honor Roll. Front L-R: Dee Dee Palmer, Lauren Gammon, Candace Hall, David Shaw, Deagan Conrad. Back L-R: Kayla Damon, Tonie Morin, Brianne Bailey, Whitney Mills, Matt Farrington, Mark Emerson.



Jamie Steven, 7, a second grader at Crescent Park Elementary School, has had her poster chosen for the 2001 "Think Twice, Recycle Maine" calendar. Steven's was one of the 983 entries statewide. Her poster depicted a moose, a river and trees with litter in the foreground.

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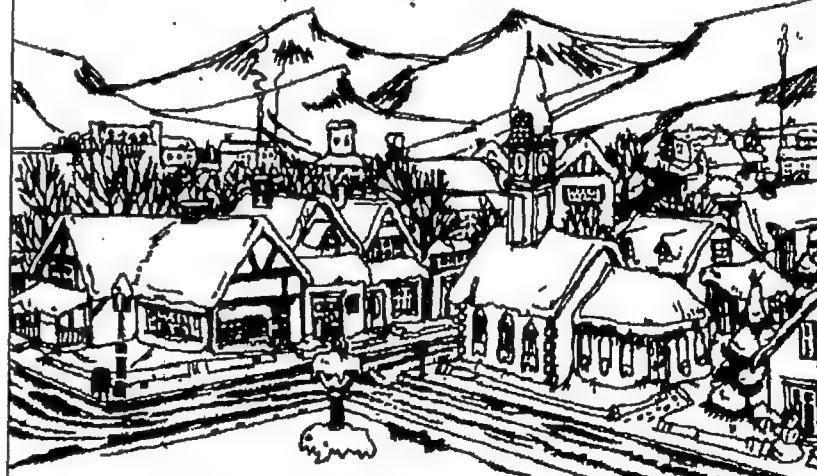
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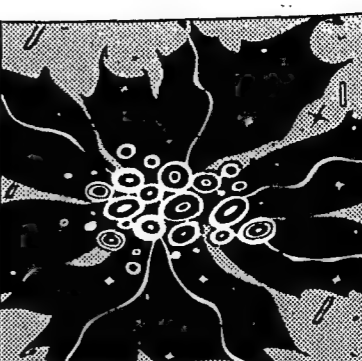
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# Community Calendar



## Events Calendar

**Public Computer Access**—The SAD44 Public Access Computer Lab is located at the Adult Learning Center, Philbrook Street, Bethel. The lab is open for public use by adults during the times listed, at no charge. All lab users must abide by the SAD44 Acceptable Use Policy and the rules posted in the lab. Vacation Hours: thru Dec. 29, open every night from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Closed Dec. 30, 31 and Jan. 1. Regular Hours starting Jan. 2: Mondays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Thursdays, 2:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Fridays, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Sundays, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.; closed Saturdays.

**Thursday, Dec. 28**  
Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort. For information, call 824-3000.  
7 to 9 p.m. — Bethel Area Poets Society monthly poetry reading will again be held at Rockie Graham's home on Sunday River Road (across from the fire station). All area poets and poetry lovers invited. Anyone needing directions or more information, please call 824-3427.

**Friday, Dec. 29**  
6 and 8:30 p.m. shows — Maine humorist Tim Sample will be featured at Rawding Studios, Main Street Center for the Arts, Norway. Tickets available at Grass Roots Graphics, Norway, or by calling 743-1884. Snow date is Jan. 15, same times.

**Saturday, Dec. 30**  
7 p.m. — National Marionette Theatre's Sorcerer's Apprentice will perform at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Skiway, sponsored by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets: advance — adults, \$5; children under 12, \$3 or \$7/\$5 at door. For more information, call 824-3575.

**Sunday, Dec. 31**  
Starting 6 p.m. — Third annual "New Year's Bethel" celebration. Affordable, chemical-free festival. Fireworks. Programs and advance tickets available by calling 824-2908.

8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. — New Year's Dance with music provided by Richard Felt's Orchestra. Buffet lunch at 9:45 p.m. Tickets: \$8.50 each. Proceeds will benefit the Greenwood Historical Society.  
New Year's Eve Snowmobile Ride and Dine from Sun Valley Sports, Sunday River Road, to The Great Grizzly. For reservations, contact Sun Valley Sports at 824-7533 or 877-851-7533.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort (huge Millennium Spectacular). For information, call 824-3000.



**Monday, Jan. 1**  
Community Ski Day for SAD44 residents at Sunday River Ski Resort. New this year, residents will also receive 50 percent discount at cafeterias and restaurants.

Bottle Drive, a fundraiser for Region 9 students of SAD21, 43 and 44 to visit The Art Institute, Boston, on May 7-9, to attend classes in computer technology. Students will go door to door, or area residents may drop off bottles at Region 9, 375 River Road, Mexico. For more information, call 364-3764.

1 p.m. — 17th annual "Carter's Last Stand" 5km freestyle race (entry fee \$10), Intervale Road, Bethel. Rossignol Demo Day. Free demos, hats and posters. Call (207) 539-4848 for information.

6 p.m. — Franklin Grange 124, Bryant Pond, meeting and supper. Program: "New Beginnings."

**Tuesday, Jan. 2**  
10 a.m. to noon — Western Maine Knitting Guild meeting at Christ Episcopal Church, Norway. Learn to sew items together with an invisible seam. For more information, call Gretchen at 743-7212 or Sally at 743-6635.

**Thursday, Jan. 4**  
Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting at Bryant Pond Town Annex. Potluck dinner and brown bag auction. Bring hot dish, salad or dessert to share and your own place setting. Dues due at this meeting.

**Saturday, Jan. 6**  
Carter's Moonlight Yuba Snowshoe Hike, Intervale Road, Bethel. Call (207) 539-4848.  
7 p.m. — Good Rockin' Daddies, Rock-N-Roll for Kids will perform at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Skiway, sponsored by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets: advance — adults, \$5; children under 12, \$3 or \$7/\$5 at door. For more information, call 824-3575.  
5:30 p.m. — Public Supper at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street (baked beans, casseroles, salads, bread, pies, beverage). Adults, \$5; under 12, \$2.50.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort.

**Tuesday, Jan. 9**  
Ski Fest 2001 at Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center. International Nordic celebration — free lessons, equipment demos, and good old-fashioned fun. For more information, call 824-2410.

**Wednesday, Jan. 10**  
11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting at The Sudbury Inn. Price of dinner: \$7. Members are reminded that dues are payable at this meeting. New members welcome.

**Thursday, Jan. 11**  
L.A. Brassworks, a brass quintet from Los Angeles, will present assembly programs for Andover, Woodstock and Crescent Park Elementary School students.

**Sunday, Jan. 14**  
7 p.m. — The Magic of Lyn, a magic show, will be featured at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Skiway, sponsored by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets: advance — adults, \$5; children under 12, \$3 or \$7/\$5 at door. Children under five, free. For more information, call 824-3575.

Longaberger Basket Bingo at Jackson-Silver American Legion Post, Locke Mills, to benefit Woodstock Elementary School fifth-grade class trip to Boston. Doors open at 12 noon, Bingo at 1 p.m. Tickets: \$10 for 16 bingo games, available in advance. Light lunch, snacks. Five basket door prizes and four raffle baskets. Drawings for consolation prizes. For details contact Gloria (665-2225) or Kristie (364-3220). In case of bad weather, storm date will be Jan. 21. Please call Gloria at above number to check on cancellation.

**Tuesday, Jan. 16**  
11:30 a.m. — Christian Women United meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Speaker will be Brenda Lamb of Harrison. Music furnished by Elaine Emery of West Paris. Those who have not been contacted and would like a reservation, call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724.

**Saturday, Jan. 20**  
Bethel's Polar Bear Plunge into the Androscoggin River at Bethel Outdoor Adventure and Campground. Come as a participant or a spectator. Hot cocoa and food for everyone. For more information, call 824-2282.

7 p.m. — Rick Charette Duo (songs for kids) will be featured at the Jordan Grand Hotel, Sunday River Skiway, sponsored by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets: advance — adults, \$5; children under 12, \$3; or \$5 and \$7 at door. Children under five, free. For more information, call 824-3575.

**Jan. 22-28**  
Sprint FIS Freestyle World Cup at Sunday River Ski Resort. Athletes' trainings open to the public all week. Final aerial competition Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. and final mogul competition Jan. 28 at 1 p.m.

Bethel's International Cuisine Week. Over 16 local and area restaurants and lodgings will offer fares from many foreign countries. For more dining information, please call 824-2282.

**Friday, Jan. 26**  
Leland Faulkner — Japanese art forms, shadow theatre, illusion, original works and folk tales are combined to produce a performance like none other. Assembly programs for Telstar Middle and High School students.

## Church Services

**Bethel**  
West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation), 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5 p.m. 743-2606. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Richard Mowery, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-2289.

United Methodist—Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship and church school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Third Sunday each month at the Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, at 4 p.m. For more information, call 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: Clayton Sweat 824-8231.

**Woodstock**  
Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laitres, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service. 665-3133.

Unitarian Universalist—Every other Sunday, 10 a.m. (starting Oct. 8)

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

**Andover**  
First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church—Winter hours: Morning worship service 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday evening Praise Service, 7 p.m.; Wed. night, Bible study and prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Route 5, S. Andover, Rev. Duane Waite. 392-1121.

**Gorham, N.H.**  
Assembly of God—Pastor Paul LeVigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

**Locke Mills**  
Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

**East Stoneham**  
East Stoneham Congregational—Rev. Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December. 9 a.m. church school (Oct.-June).

**Newry**  
Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

**Albany**  
Congregational Church - Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Bible study Tues. 7 p.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study Thursday evenings at Pastor Gammon's home in Woodstock.

**Norway/Paris**  
Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)—Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

North Paris Baptist—Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.

North Paris Federated Church—Sunday service, 10:30 a.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singing alternating between NPFC and West Paris Baptist).

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

**Rumford Point**  
Rumford Point Church—Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Deborah Jenks.

**West Paris**  
Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris—UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June). 674-2365.

West Paris Baptist—Sunday Worship 9 a.m., Adult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 6:45 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singing alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church—Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

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**Andover Library:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

**Bethel Library:** Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

**Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond:** Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hills:** Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

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**Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover:** Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

**Upton Library:** Saturdays, 9-11 a.m.

## Monthly Meetings

**First Sunday:** Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April. Greenwood Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood Town Office at 9 a.m. Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

**Every Sunday:** Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

**First Monday:** Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m. (Will meet third Monday for several months to work on comprehensive plan only.)

**First and Third Monday:** Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station.

**Second Monday:** Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17.

Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m. **Second and Fourth Monday:** SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

**Every Monday:** Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

**First Tuesday:** Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office. Windy Valley Snowmobile Club meets at Newry Town Office, 7 p.m.

Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

**First and Third Tuesday:** The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally III-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Frank Gibson home, North Road, Bethel, at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.

Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

**Second Tuesday:** Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m. Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

**Third Tuesday:** Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

**Every Tuesday:** Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters meet at the Bethel Library from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.

Mollycoddett Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).

**First Wednesday:** Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

**Second Wednesday:** Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.

Friends of the West Paris Library, 6:30 p.m. (new members welcome)

**First and Third Wednesday:** Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

**Second and Fourth Wednesday:** Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

**Fourth Wednesday:** Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.

Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

**Last Wednesday of Sept., Nov., Jan., March and May,** Crescent Park School PTA, 6:30-8 p.m. Babysitting provided.

**Every Wednesday:** TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

**First Thursday:** United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.

Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office.

**Second Thursday:** Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Crescent Park School conference room, 7:30 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

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**First and Third Thursday:** Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

**Fourth Thursday:** Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

**Every Thursday:** Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m.

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

**First Friday:** The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

**Third Friday:** Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

**Every Friday:** Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

**First Saturday:** Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch).

**Second Saturday:** Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.

**Last Saturday:** Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

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**Every Saturday:** Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

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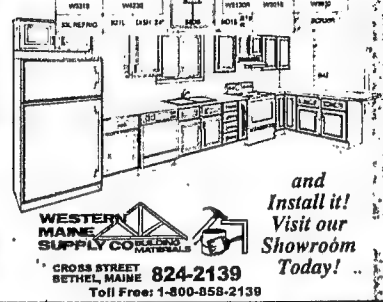
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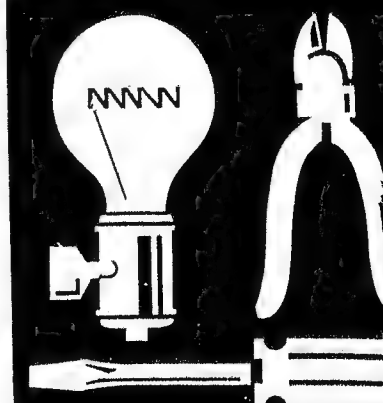
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THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 28, 2000										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	WWF Smackdown!				Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City
(32)	Early Edition		Movie: "Air Bud"				Hidden Secrets of Magic		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Weber	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	ER	News		
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Whose?	Whose?	Be a Millionaire		Primetime Thursday		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Maine.	Made In	Mystery!		Drum Corps Intl. Champ.		Business	
(22)	Football	College Football: Insight.com Bowl -- Iowa State vs Pittsburgh						Sportscenter		
(34)	Martial Law		18 Wheels of Justice		Movie: "The Marriage Fool"		Martial Law			
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Diagnosis Murder		48 Hours		48 Hours		News	
(41)	Football	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at New Jersey Nets					Sports	College Basketball: LSU vs. Ore. St.		
(15)	Playing the Field: Sports		Inside the NFL			Movie: "Second Skin"		Comedy	Sex Bytes	NFL
(17)	"Mom's Got a Date With a Vampire"			Movie: "Larger Than Life"				Movie: "Johnny Tsunami"		
(18)	Movie: "Life With Mikey"			Movie: "Lake Placid"			Movie: "Dance With the Devil"			
(20)	College Basketball: Northeastern at Indiana				ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Armed and Innocent"			Golden		Golden
(5)	College Football: Micron PC Bowl -- Minnesota vs. North Carolina State						Movie: "Two Mules for Sister Sara"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Eddie	Gilligan	Hillbillies	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Cabaret"				Movie: "Last Train From Gun Hill"			
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges			Movie: "Red Scorpion"				Martin	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Behind Closed Doors		Investigative Reports		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "Backfield in Motion"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live		Newsstand		Sports	Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING DECEMBER 29, 2000										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Freedom	Level 9		Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City	
(32)	Movie: "Lucas" Cont'd		Movie: "Dennis the Menace"			Lance Burton-Magician			700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence		Dateline		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Two Guys	Norm	Whose?	Whose?	20/20	News		
10	News-Lehrer	Wash. Wk.	Wall St.	Keeping Up	Keeping Up	Time Goes	Served	Forgotten Americans		
(22)	College Football: Peach Bowl			College Football: Holiday Bowl -- Oregon vs. Texas						
(34)	Martial Law		Championship Rodeo		Rollerjam		Motor Madness		Martial Law	
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Fugitive		CSI: Crime Scn		Nash Bridges		News	
(41)	Football	AHL Hockey:	Worcester IceCats at Hartford Wolf Pack					Sports	Sports	Last Word
(15)	Inside the NFL		Movie: "Above the Law"			Movie: "Marked for Death"				
(17)	Heartbeat	Movie: "Rent-a-Kid"				Movie: "The Next Karate Kid"			Heartbeat	
(18)	Messenger: Joan of Arc		Movie: "The Last Seduction"				Movie: "The Haunting"			
(20)	Bruins	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Florida Panthers					ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Another Woman's Husband"				Once and Again	
5	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Harlem Nights"					Movie: "Fletch"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Kenan-Kel	Kenan-Kel	Kenan-Kel	Kenan-Kel	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "The African Queen"				Cinema	Movie: "Fantastic Voyage"		
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges			Movie: "Nightwatch"			Farmclub.com		
(27)	Law & Order		Biography of the Year				Poirt	Law & Order		
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "Ernest Scared Stupid"				News	In the Heat of the Night		
39	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live		Unconventional Wisdom	Sports	Moneyline	

SATURDAY EVENING DECEMBER 30, 2000										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Tampa Bay Lightning						Spin City	Maximum Exposure	
(32)	Movie: "Earthquake in New York"				Movie: "The Outsiders"			Movie: "The Lake"		
(6)	NBA Show		NBA Basketball: Regional Coverage				Most Amazing Videos		News	Sal. Night
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Jack"				Whose?	Whose?	News	Pretender
(10)	Made In	Opinion	Ballykissangel		Antiques Roadshow		National Geographic		Red Green	Robot Wars
(22)	Sprtsctry	NFL	College Football: Alamo Bowl -- Nebraska vs. Northwestern						Sportsctr.	
(34)	Where-Hell's That Gold		Backstage	Grand Opry	George Jones		Louise Mandrell		Backstage	Grand Opry
(13)	Entertainment Tonight		That's Life		Walker, Texas Ranger		District		News	
(41)	Best of Fight Time		See This	Figure Skating: Grand Slam			National Sports Report		Sports	See This
(15)	Movie: "Practical Magic"				Movie: "Anywhere but Here"			Taxicab Confessions		
(17)	Heartbeat	Movie: "The Paper Brigade"			Movie: "Wish Upon a Star"			Heartbeat    So Weird		
(18)	Movie: "Die Hard" Cont'd		Movie: "Contaminated Man"				Movie: "Striking Distance"			
(20)	College Basketball: Niagara at Syracuse				ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Movie: "Stay the Night" Cont'd						Movie: "Fifteen and Pregnant"			
(5)	Dirty Dozen		Movie: "Rio Bravo"				Movie: "Lock Up"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Amanda	Eddie	All That	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Movie: "The Wild Bunch" Cont'd			Movie: "The Day the Earth Stood Still"			Movie: "Winter a Go-Go"			
(26)	Movie: "Stop! Or My Mom Will Shoot"				Movie: "Bird on a Wire"					Martin
(27)	Behind Closed Doors		Biography		Winter Solstice on Ice				Sherlock Holmes	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Return to Mayberry"				News		Darkside	Stranger-U.S.
(39)	Capital	Sports	Worldview	Movers	Larry King Weekend		Worldview	Capital	Sports Tonight	

SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 31, 2000										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Battle Dome		Three Stooges						Three Stooges	
(32)	Columbo-Star		Movie: "Columbo: It's All in the Game"				Movie: "Columbo: Uneasy Lies the Crown"			
6	Most Amazing Videos		Dateline		Movie: "While You Were Sleeping"			News	Big Break	
8	All-Star Bloopers		Whose?	Whose?	Be a Millionaire		Primetime New Year's		News	
10	Anyplace		Nature		Movie: "A Rather English Marriage"			Mystery!		
(22)	Sportsctr.	NFL	College Football: Independence Bowl -- Mississippi State vs. Texas A&M						Sportsctr.	
(34)	Outdoors	Outdoor	Remington	Hunting	Championship Bull Riding			Outdoors	NASCAR	Car
13	60 Minutes		Touched by an Angel		Movie: "Timepiece"			News		
(41)	College Football: Silicon Valley Classic -- Air Force vs. Fresno State Cont'd					Olbermann		Sports		Last Word
(15)	"Another Stakeout"		Sopranos			Sopranos			Movie: "Drive Me Crazy"	
(17)	Zoogin' New Year's Eve Party Cont'd					Zoogin' New Year's Eve Party				
(18)	"Deep Blue Sea" Cont'd		Movie: "Entrapment"				Movie: "Random Hearts"			
(20)	Fan Attic: Red Sox/Devil Rays				ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Movie: "Jewels"									
(5)	"What About Bob?"		Movie: "Back to the Future"					Movie: "Ruthless People"		
(24)	Spongeb	Spongeb	Ginger	Ginger	Rugrats	Rugrats	Rocket	Rocket	Thornberrys	Thornberrys
(25)	What-to-Gol Screen		Movie: "Psycho"				Lot	Movie: "Tickle Me"		
(26)	"The Godfather Saga"		Movie: "The Godfather, Part III"							
(27)	Law & Order		Law & Order			Law & Order			Law & Order	
(12)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Andromeda		Earth: Final Conflict		News	Replay	In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Worldview	Sports	Worldview	Pinnacle	CNN & Time		Perspectives		Sports Tonight	

MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 1, 2001										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Moesha	Parkers	Hughleys	Girlfriends	Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City
(32)	Sabrina the-Witch	Providence				Early Edition		700 Club		
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Mysterious Ways		Dateline		Third Watch		News	
8	College Football: Rose Bowl			College Football: Fiesta Bowl -- Notre Dame vs. Oregon State						
10	News-Lehrer		Great Performances			American Experience			Business	Religion
(22)	Gymnastics: Rock 'n' Roll				DanceSport	Philadelphia Dog Show			Sportscenter	
(34)	Martial Law		Martial Law		WWF Raw	WWF War Zone			Martial Law	
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Bette	Most Fascinating Women		News	
(41)	NBA Action	Challenge	You-See This!		Last Word: Newsmakers		National Sports Report		Sports	Last Word
(15)	"Never Say Never Again"		Movie: "Message in a Bottle"			Finding		Tabicab Confessions	Galaxy Q	
(17)	"Wish Upon a Star"		Movie: "Stepister From Planet Weird"			Movie: "P.U.N.K.S."				
(18)	"Beverly Hills Cop III"		Movie: "Hocus Pocus"			Movie: "C.I.A. Codename: Alexa"				
(20)	Boating	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Movie: "Gone In the Night"								Golden	Golden
(5)	"Vegas Vacation" Cont'd		Movie: "Overboard"					Movie: "National Lampoon's Vacation"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Ginger	Brady	Gilligan	Hillbillies	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Abbott	Movie: "In Society"			Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein			Movie: "Hit the Ice"		
(26)	La Femme Nikita		La Femme Nikita		La Femme Nikita		La Femme Nikita			
(27)	Law & Order		Biography			Law & Order		Investigative Reports		Law & Order
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitzter	The Point	Larry King Live		Newsstand		Sports	Moneyline

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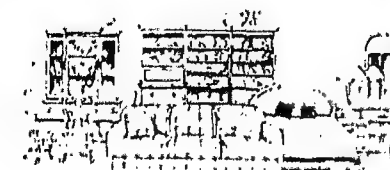


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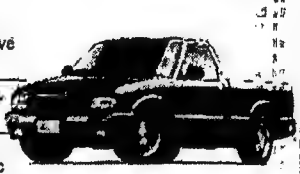
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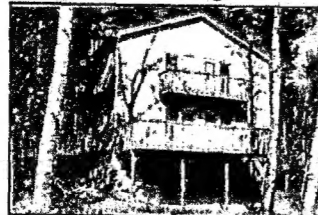
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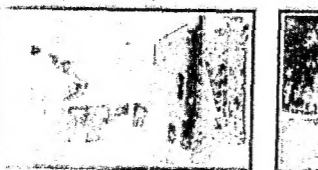
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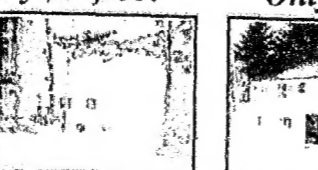
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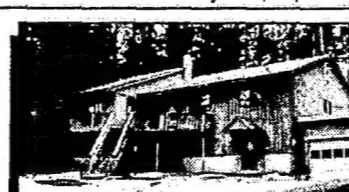
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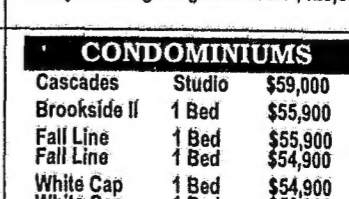
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<b>Viking Village</b> \$199,000	<b>Route 26</b> \$120,000	<b>Bailey Road Area</b> \$99,900	<b>Pine Street</b> \$85,000	<b>Andover Road</b> \$78,900	<b>Irish Neighborhood</b> \$184,000	<b>E. Bethel Road</b> \$58,900

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1-B-408 2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$84,900	A-4	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$48,500	#16	2 Bdrm/2 Bath \$80,000
1-A-401 2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$87,500	B-24	Studio/1 Bath \$49,000	#34	2 Bdrm/2 Bath \$87,900
1-A-402 2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$88,900	A-23	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$51,500	CARRIAGE HOUSE #2	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath \$80,000
1-B-403 2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$89,900	LOCKE MOUNTAIN A-3	4 Bdrm/3 Bath \$80,000	#1	1+ Loh/1 Bath \$89,900
1-B-404 2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$89,900	A-3	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$80,000	#8	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath \$89,900
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1-B-415 1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$44,900	S-215	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$80,000	#14	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath \$80,000
1-B-416 1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$44,900	W-215	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$80,000	LAKE CHRISOPHER UNIT 6	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$69,900
1-B-417 1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$44,900	W-217	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$80,000	CHAMBERLAIN RESORT B-33-B	2 Bdrm/2 Bath \$107,500
1-B-418 1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$44,900	E-211	1 Bdrm/1 Bath \$80,000	TIME SHARES Grand Jordan Hotel #308	QTR \$55,000
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## Obituaries

### CECILE L. PARENT

Cecile L. Parent, 80, of Roxbury, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 2000 at the Rumford Community Hospital in Rumford. A resident of the area most of her life, she made her home on the Roxbury Notch Road in Roxbury.

She was born in New Brunswick, Canada, on June 17, 1920, the daughter of Levi and Marie (Lagasse) Belanger and had attended local schools.

She had worked in several of the area shoe shops as a stitcher and for several years as a sorter at Andover Wood Products in Andover until her retirement. She was a communicant of St. Theresa Church and a member of the church guild. She enjoyed knitting, shopping, especially around Christmas time and she loved watching movies on television.

She was married in Rumford in February of 1939 to Joseph Patrick Parent, who survives of Roxbury. Other survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Richard (Patricia) Knapp of Roxbury, Mrs. Priscilla Sargent of Mexico and Mrs. Francis (Theresa) Bolduc of Andover and Mims, Fla.; three sons, Albert of Maynard, Mass., Harvey and his wife Betty of Mexico, and Lionel and his wife Susan of Mexico; a sister, Mrs. Laura Remeika of Farmington; 19 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

A funeral mass will be celebrated at St. Theresa Church, Mexico, in the summer at a time and date to be announced. Interment was at St. John's Cemetery, Rumford. Those who desire, please contribute to St. Theresa's Church, 1 Brown Street, Mexico, ME 04257, in her memory.

### ALBERT L. McLAUGHLIN

Albert L. McLaughlin, 60, of West Paris, died Sunday, Dec. 24 in Bridgeport, Conn.

He was born in South Paris to Merlyn and Elsie McLaughlin. He played drums with the Falcons Band in his teen-age years.

Survivors include his wife Rae of Bridgeport, Conn.; his mother of Mulberry, Fla.; his brothers, Merlyn Jr. of Buxton, Herschel of Palmyra, Pa., Sheridan of West Paris, Adrian of Mechanicsville, Md., Lyndon of West Texas; a sister, Charlotte of Mexico; and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. He was predeceased by his father, who died in October of 1992.

### HENRY B. COBB JR.

Henry Blair Cobb Jr. 76, of West Paris, died on Dec. 24, 2000. He slipped his mooring, his friends observed it was high water, and he went out with the tide. He died peacefully after a brief illness with lung cancer at Ledgewood Nursing Home in West Paris.

He was born in Edgewood, R.I., on July 25, 1924, the son of Henry B. and Helen Mulliken Cobb Sr.

The Cobbs moved to Denmark in 1938, where they operated Breezy Acres Poultry Farm for many years. He graduated from Bridgton Academy in 1942 and attended the University of Maine briefly before enlisting in the service. He served in the Air Force during World War II in Panama. He was employed by Ralston Purina Co. for 23 years and was once recognized nationally for his work in feed sales. After retiring, he and his wife ran H.B. Cobb, Inc. in Belfast, before moving to Massachusetts. They returned to Maine in 1982 and were employed by Opportunity Farm in New Gloucester. He and his wife made their home in West Paris for the last 16 years.

He was active in the Belfast community, organizing the Broiler Festival for several years and rising to the rank of Division Captain in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, enjoying these activities with his many friends. He was a familiar figure on the docks of Belfast, putting out for a day of mackerel fishing or clamming. He was a member of the VFW, and was a 32-degree Mason, recently receiving his 50-year pin.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Hilda Julia (Seilonen) Cobb of West Paris; two daughters, Deborah Middleton of Vassalboro and Catherine Cobb of Augusta; one son, Michael of York; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his sister, Nancy Thompson.

Graveside services will be held in the spring at the Harrison Lutheran Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be sent to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Grand Central Station, P.O. Box 4777, New York, N.Y. 10163.

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### ADAM J. RICHARD

Adam J. Richard, 25, died Monday, Dec. 25, 2000 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Mass. He resided on High Street in Rumford and had lived in the area all of his life.

Born in Rumford on July 9, 1975, he was the son of Robert and Holly (Poland) Richard Sr. He was a graduate of Dirigo High School with the Class of 1993.

He had worked at Sunday River Ski Resort for several years and also for Dunkin Donuts in Rumford for several months. He loved his family and especially spending time with his son, Nathaniel.

Survivors include his father, Robert "Bob" Richard Sr. and wife Louise of Dixfield; his mother, Holly Breaux and her husband Reggie of Rumford; a brother, Robert Richard Jr. of Old Town; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Eva Poland of Bryant Pond; a step-brother, Kevin Buotte and his wife Theresa of Jacksonville, Fla.; a stepsister, Kim Buotte of Providence, R.I.; his step grandmother, Mrs. Theresa Arsenault of Mexico; and his maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Vera Buck of Rumford. He was predeceased by his son, Nathaniel, who died in Rumford on Nov. 18, 2000.

Funeral services will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday evening, Dec. 28, at Meader & Son Funeral Home, Rumford. Calling hours will be 2 to 4 p.m. and after 6 p.m. Thursday prior to the funeral. Those who desire may contribute to the Adam Richard Fund, c/o Robert Richard Sr., PO Box 173, Dixfield, ME 04224, in his memory.

## Births

Blaine and Alison (Chapman) Dry of Naples, Fla. are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Dahlia Louise, born on Nov. 22, 2000 weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Alan and Louise Chapman of Bryant Pond. Maternal great-grandfather is Franklin Chapman of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Bob and Dolly Dry of St. Simons, Ga.

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Susan and Doug Brooks of Benton are the proud parents of a baby girl, Janet Robie (to be called "Janie") born on Dec. 8, 2000 at Waterville.

Maternal grandparents are Janie and Frank Vogt of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Eleanor and Don Brooks of Bethel.

Janie joins sisters Kristen, Lauren and Maggie and brother Michael.

### NOTICE Greenwood Residents

Anyone wishing to place an article in the Town Warrant for the March 31, 2000 Town Meeting must turn it in to the Town Office by February 1, 2000

Carol Whitman, Town Manager

### Answers to Super Crossword

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